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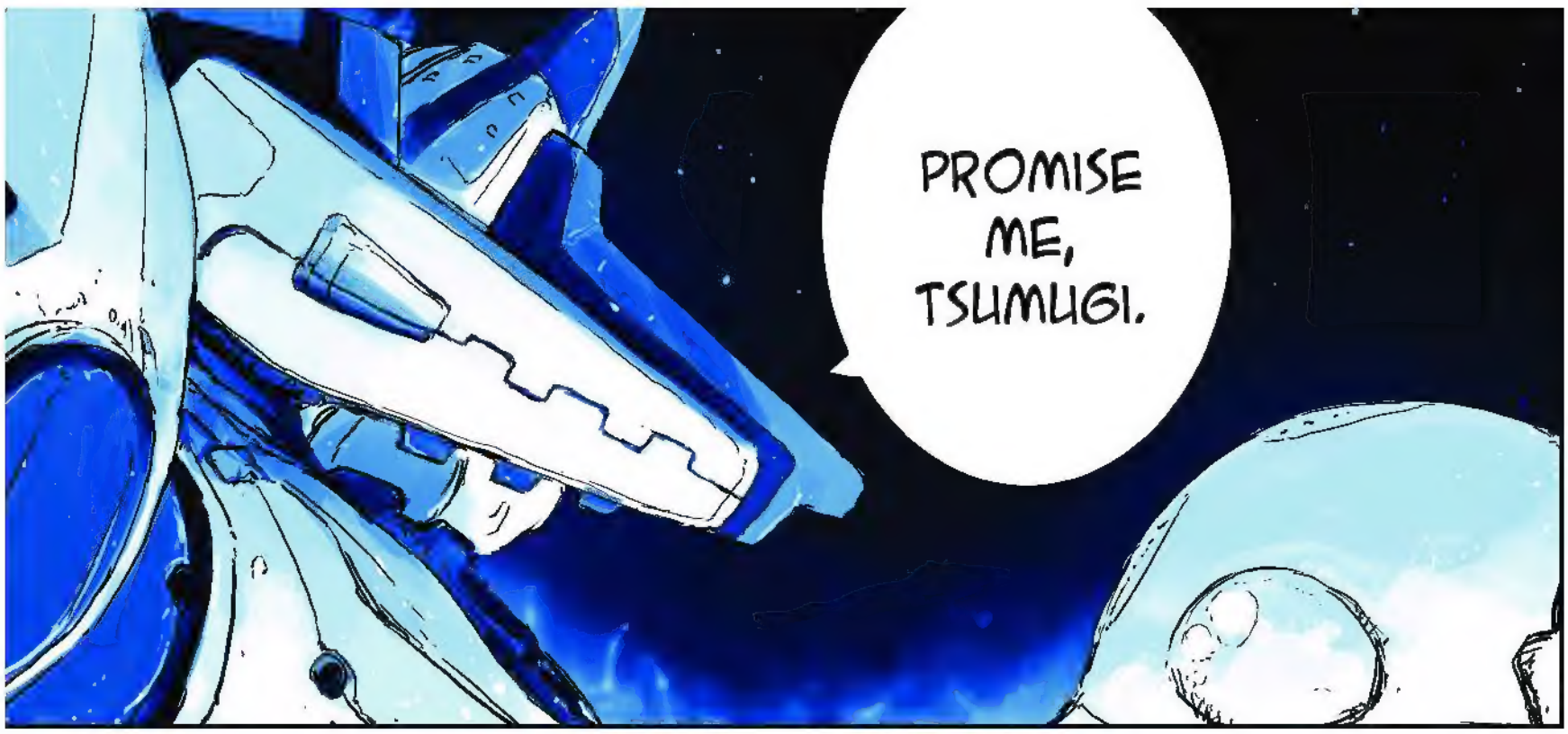

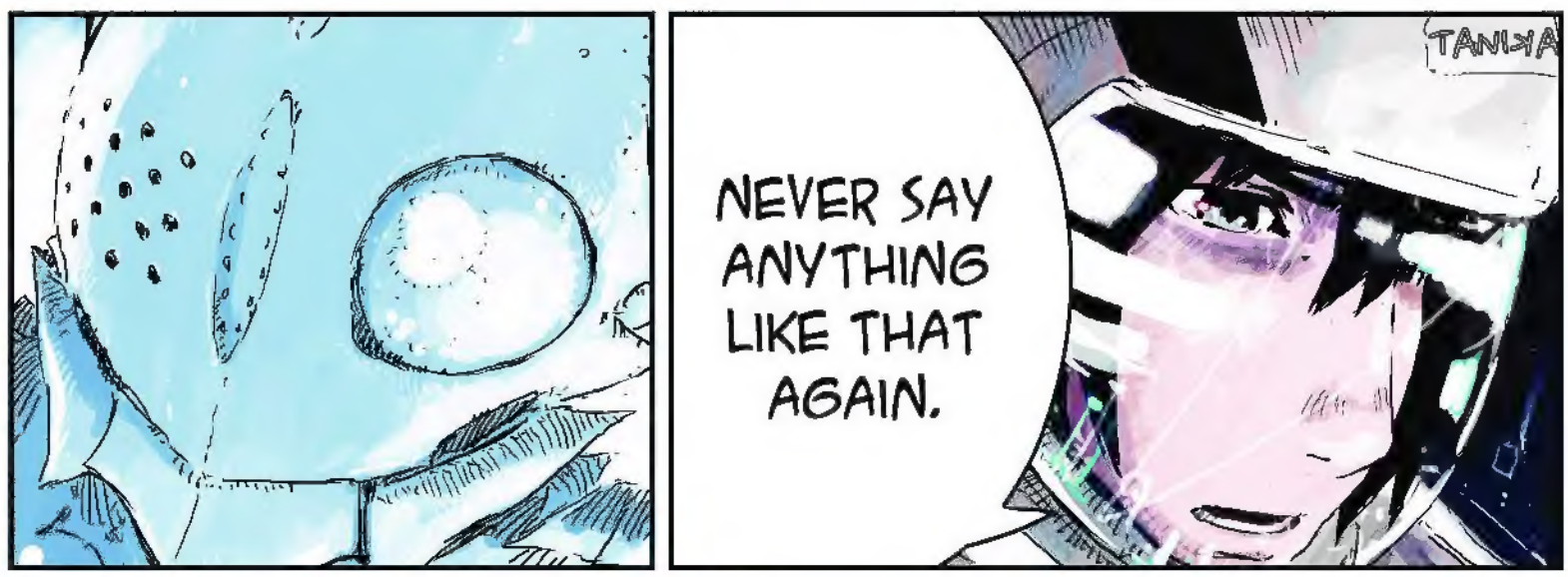

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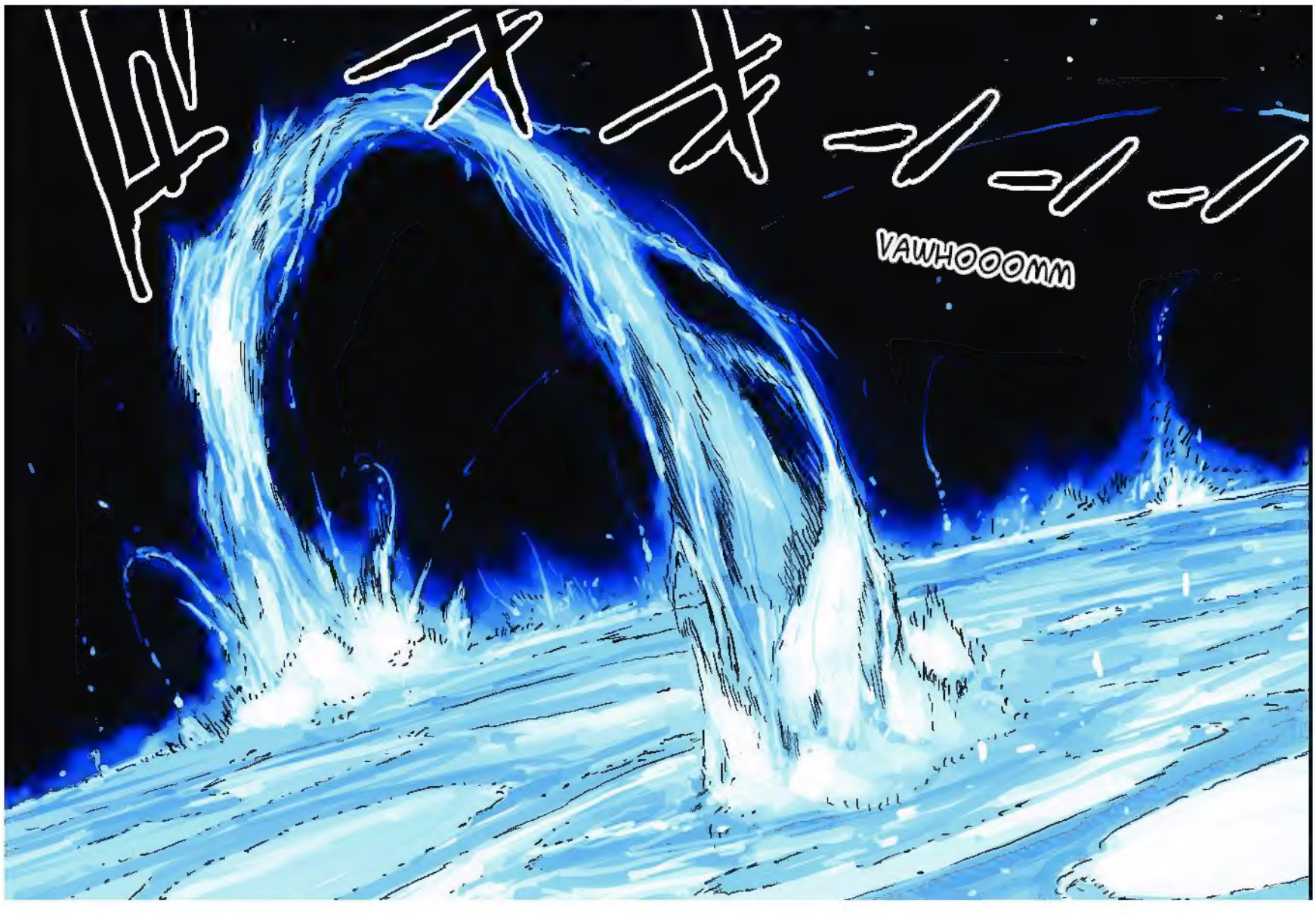

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TSUTOMU NIHEI

YES. WE'RE OKAY FOR NOW.

FLARES ARE ERUPTING IN YOUR VICINITY. PLEASE BE CAREFUL.

R-ROGER, THIS IS TANIKAZE.

COMMS SHOULD BE BACK ON!

THIS IS THE MIZUKI. BOTH OF YOU, RESPOND PLEASE!

NO PROBLEMS THERE.

WHAT ABOUT LEM'S GRAVITY AND THE RADIATION?

I'M FINE TOO.

WE'RE RELEAS-ING THE CARGO!

ROGER THAT. OPEN THE HATCH!

MS. SASAKI, LET'S BEGIN.

HAULING OUT THE SEMI-AUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGAN!

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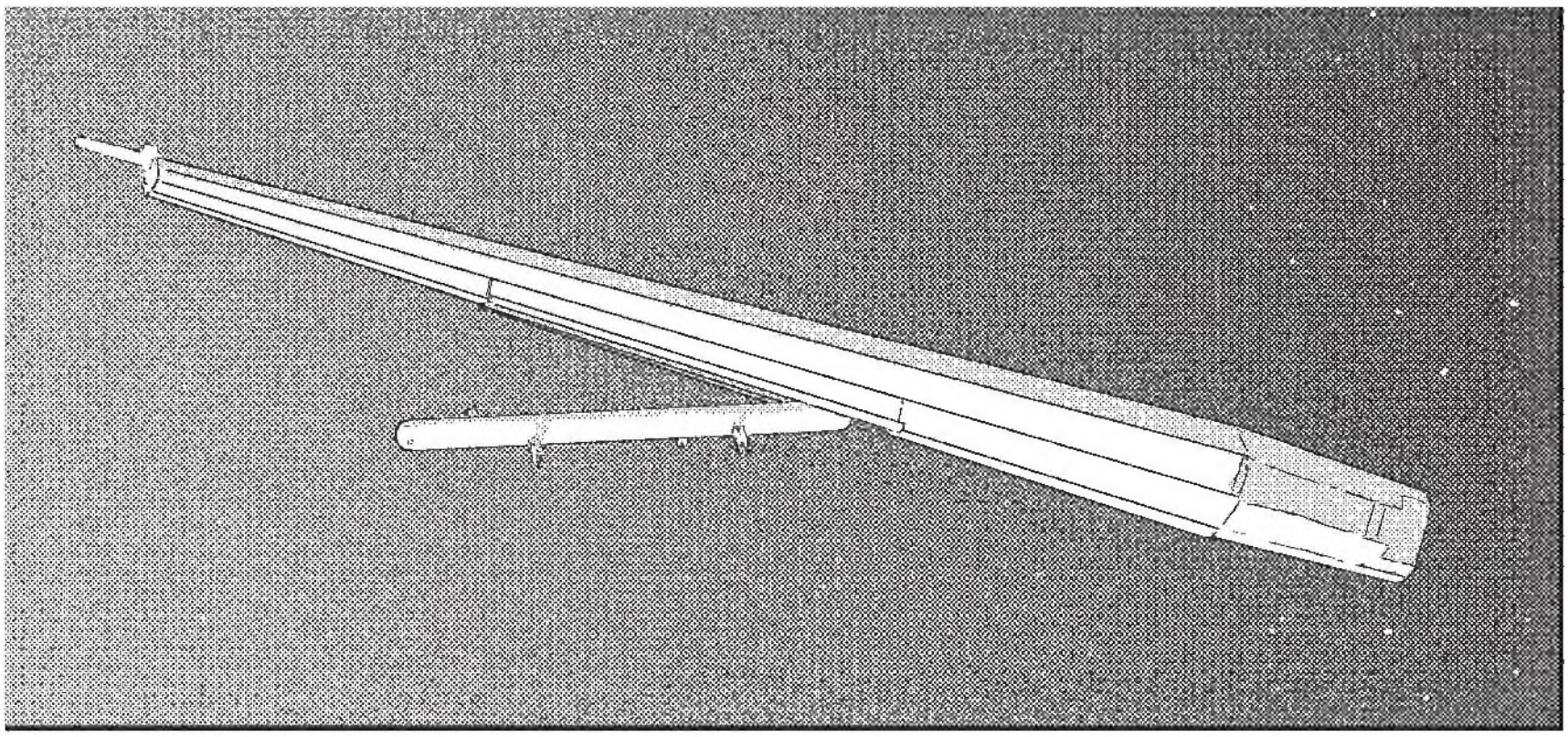
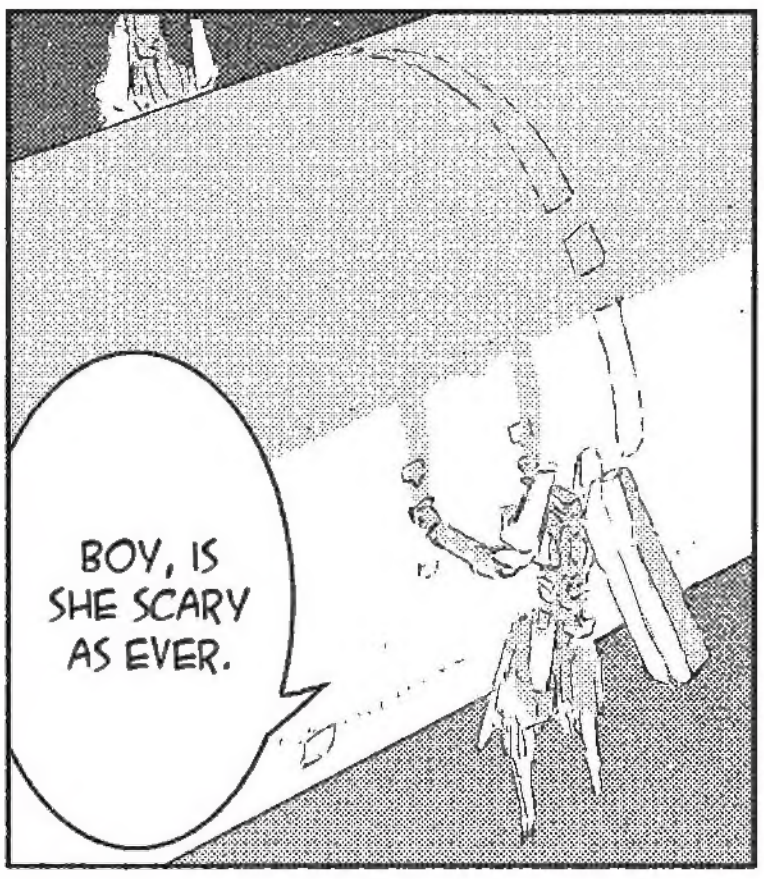
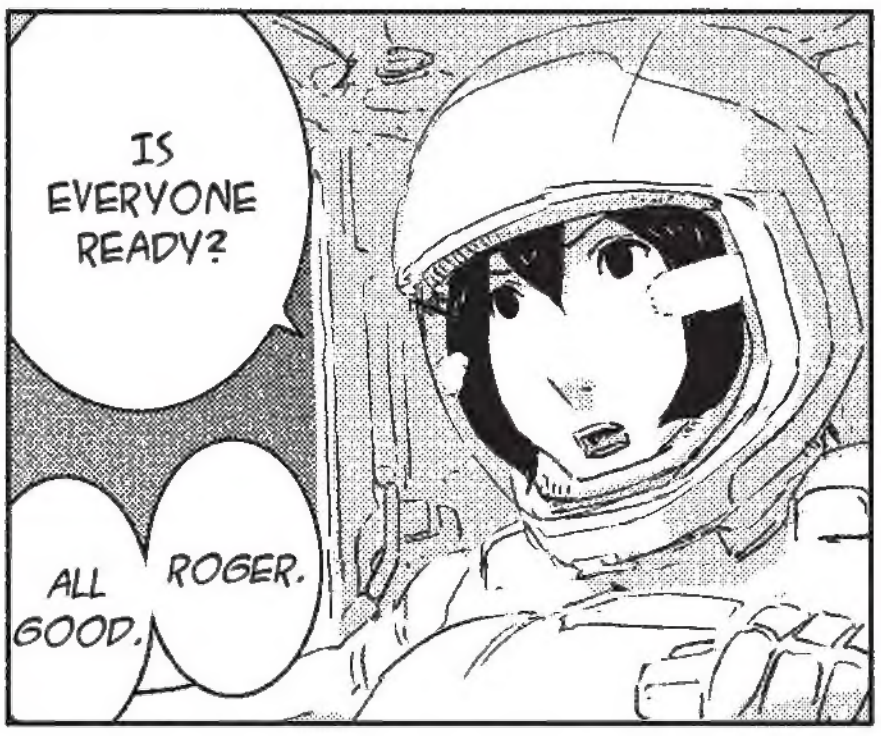
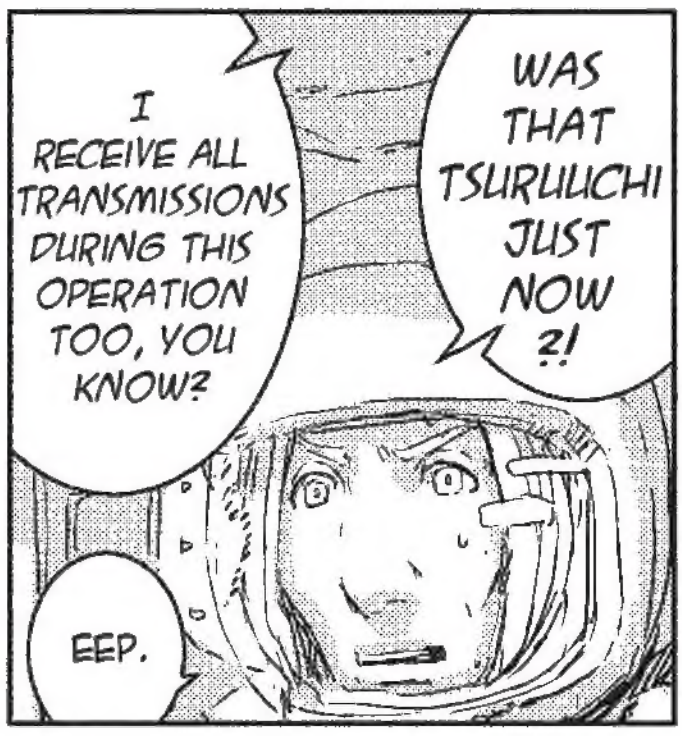



BOY, IS SHE SCARY AS EVER.

THAT THING IS MORE EXPENSIVE THAN THE MIZUKI.
HANDLE IT WITH CARE!


IS EVERYONE READY?
ROGER.
ALL GOOD.


I RECEIVE ALL TRANSMISSIONS DURING THIS OPERATION TOO, YOU KNOW?
WAS THAT TSURUMICHI JUST NOW?!
EEP.

ACCEL-
ERATE!

THOOM

FIVE SECONDS TO RELEASE!

HEM

ADJUSTING ANGLE OF PROJEC-TION.

PIP

CAST!

WHUM

THREE

TWO

ONE

BE CAREFUL OF LEM'S GRAVITY.

ANY CLOSER AND THE SERIES 19'S THRUST WON'T BE ABLE TO PROPEL US BACK.

YUP.

I HOPE THE GAUNA DON'T SPOT IT.

A PRECIOUS APPARATUS THAT EVERYONE AT TOHA HEAVY INDUSTRIES WORKED SO HARD TO BUILD.

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SEMIAUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGAN WILL REACH TARGET POSITION MOMENTARILY.

SUCCESS! THE SEMI-AUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGAN HAS BEEN INSERTED.

ORGAN HAS BEGUN NORMAL AUTONOMOUS OPERATION.

OKAY.

HERE WE GO!

TANIKAZE AND TSUMUGI, TRY PUSHING THE APPARATUS DOWN LOWER.

COMMENCE ENERGY CONVER-SION.

WOW!

WHOA!

FLOAT

FWUM

NOW COMES THE HARD PART.

THE POWER SUPPLY'S ALMOST LIMITLESS, SO IT CAN RUN FOR A THOUSAND YEARS!

NO ISSUES, ALL WITHIN PARAMETERS. IT'S STABLER THAN WE PREDICTED.

WHOA... THIS IS ALL CABLE?!

TIME TO DEPLOY THE NEXT CARGO!

DO YOU REALIZE HOW MUCH WORK WE PUT INTO DEVELOPING THIS?

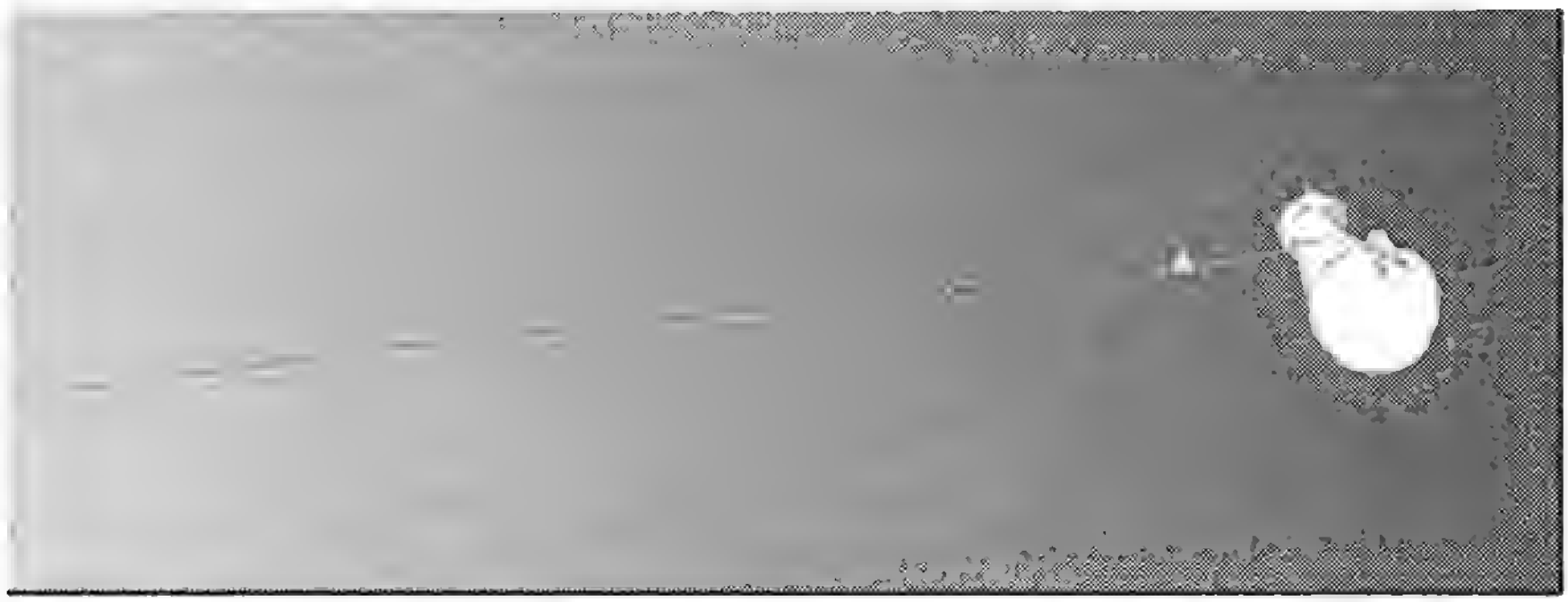
A GAUNA CHOMPING ON IT WOULDN'T LEAVE A SCRATCH! STOP BELLY-ACHING, JUST HURRY UP AND GET IT OUT THERE!

CAREFUL WITH IT OR WE'LL BE SCOLDED AGAIN!

DAMNED IF I DO, DAMNED IF I DON'T ...

ROGER !

SENDING OUT THE CABLE!



TAKE IT NICE AND SLOW.
IT WON'T BE STABLE UNLESS IT'S EXTENDED OUT STRAIGHT.

ALL RIGHT. ACTIVATING STABILIZER.
TANIKAZE, DRAW IT OUT SLOWLY.
TRANSPORT SQUAD, REMAIN ON STANDBY OVERHEAD.

I'VE GOTTEN HOLD OF IT!

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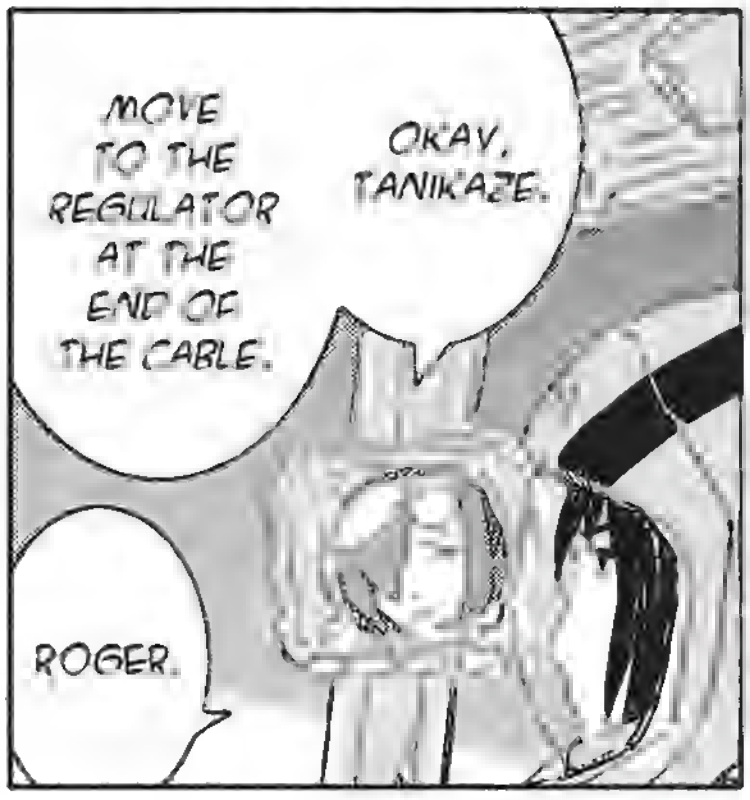
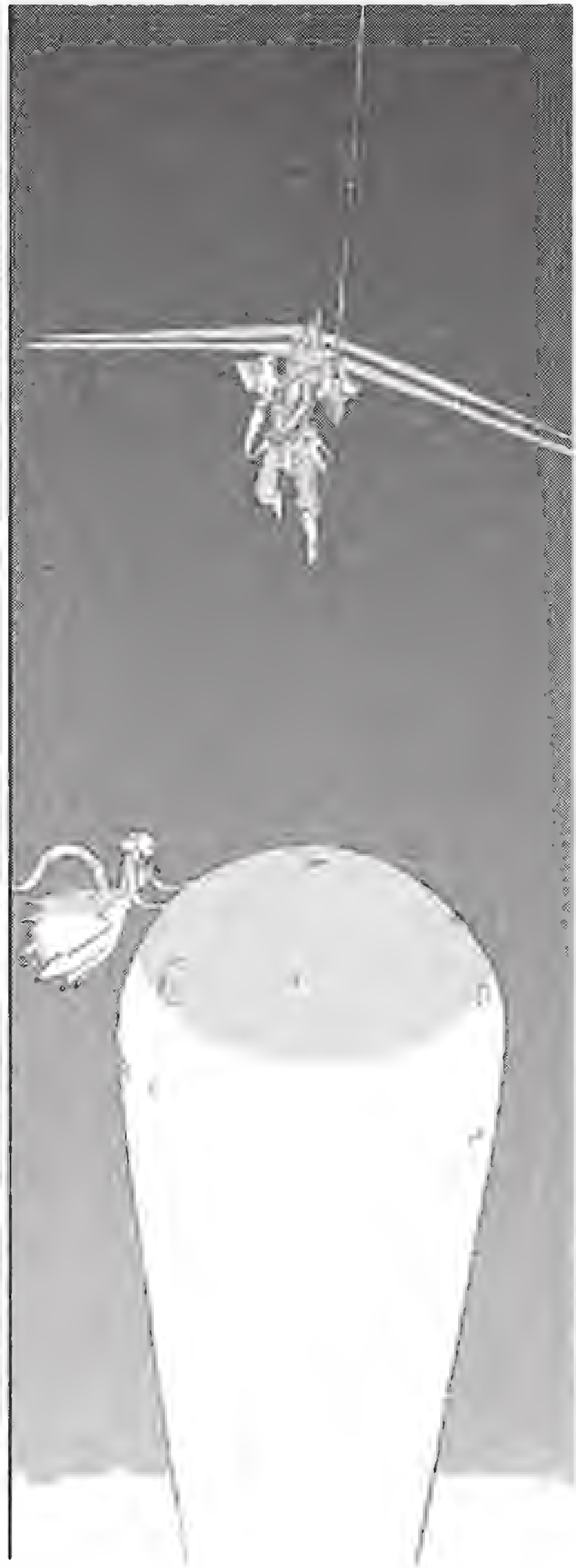
THE LAST THING IS TO TEST OPENING THE FLOW CHANNEL.
GOOD.
HOOK UP CONFIRMED.


MOVE TO THE REGULATOR AT THE END OF THE CABLE.
OKAY, TANIKAZE.
ROGER.



I'M IN POSITION.

YOU'RE GOOD TO GO, TANIKAZE.

THE GAUGES ARE A GO, TOO.

POWER FLOW CHANNEL READY TO BE OPENED!

OKAY.

PULLING THE RELEASE TRIGGER!

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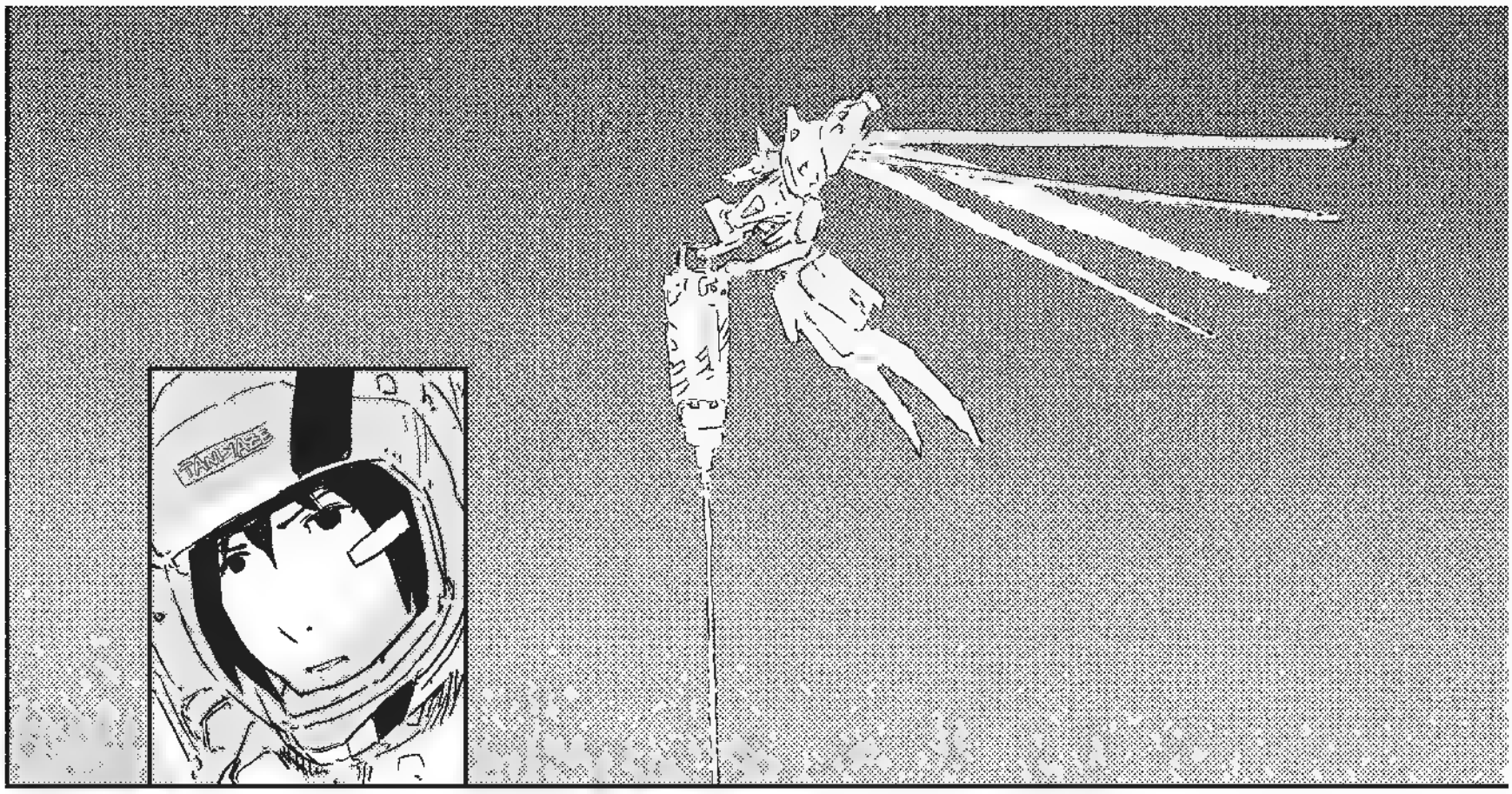

WE'LL TEMPORARILY REMOVE THE CABLE AND PULL IT UP TO A LOWER GRAVITY AREA TO INVESTIGATE THE CAUSE.

SUSPEND THE TEST!

IS THERE AN ISSUE SOME-WHERE?

ALL VALUES STATIC.

NO SHOW.

FAULT INDICATED IN THE CABLE STABILIZER'S POWER SYSTEM!

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TANIKAZE, TRY AGAIN PLEASE.

...NO SHOW.

OKAY.

I CAN'T UNLOCK THE SAFETY MECHANISM.

IT WON'T COME OUT.

TSUMUGI, REMOVE THE CABLE FROM THE CONVERSION ORGAN.

NO RESPONSE! SYSTEM 3... NO RESPONSE... 4... NOTHING... 5... 6...

N-NO RESPONSE ON ANY OF THEM !!

SHORT CIRCUIT IN THE CABLE-END REGULATOR CHANNEL !!

I-I CAN'T !

SWITCH TO THE BACK-UP! HURRY!

WHAT ?!!

DISENGAGE IT FROM HERE!

!!!

NAGATE, FORGET IT, YOU CAN'T PULL IT UP!

THIS ISN'T LOOKING GOOD ...

NO, NOT EVEN IF WE ALL FORMED A CLASP ARRAY.

DAMMIT! ISN'T THERE ANYTHING WE COULD TRY?!

THE CABLE'S STARTING TO FALL !!

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IT'LL TAKE YOU BOTH DOWN WITH IT!
TANIKAZE, TSUMUGI, ENOUGH, GET AWAY! WE'RE DITCHING THE APPARATUS!

THE SEMI-AUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGAN IS FALLING INTO THE STAR!!

THE APPARATUS FLIPPED OVER!! IT CAN'T TAKE THE CABLE'S WEIGHT!

AHH

TANIKAZE! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

MR. TANIKAZE?

I'LL TRY SEVERING THE CABLE!

I'LL HELP TOO!

DWOO

BOTH OF YOU, COME BACK AT ONCE!!

AND EVEN IF YOU DID MANAGE TO SEVER IT, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE ENOUGH THRUST TO RE-FLOAT THE SEMIAUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGAN!!

SPEED OF DESCENT MOUNTING !!

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DWOO

IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU CAN CUT THROUGH SO EASILY !!

IF IT PROPULSES ANY MORE, HE'S IN DANGER !!

T-TANIKAZE UNIT'S HIGGS ENGINE IS NEAR CRITICALITY !!

GZZZZ

DWOO

GWZZZ

CABLE SEV-ERED !

TANIKAZE UNIT, ENGINE FAILURE !!

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BCHINK

BEEP

NO !

KEEP PUSHING THE THING!!

MR. TANIKAZE! YOU'RE GOING TO CRASH!!

TAKE MY HAND !!

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THE APPARATUS HASN'T STOPPED FALLING !

TANIKAZE UNIT AND THE CABLE ARE FALLING INTO LEM!

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HANG IN THERE, TSUMUGI !!

TSU-MUGI …

UP-SYY YY~

HUP

HUP !!

AM I INSIDE YOUR TAIL?

SQUISH

SQUISH

Y-YOU'RE AROUND MY BELLY NOW. PLEASE WAIT JUST A BIT MORE.

SEMI-AUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGAN HAS RETURNED TO ORBIT AROUND LEM!!

WHOO!!

SAFE ALTITUDE REACHED !!

WELL DONE, TSUMUGI !!

THAT TAIL'S PRETTY NIFTY.

DIDN'T KNOW SHE COULD RESCUE A PILOT LIKE THAT.

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OOH! IS THIS WHERE KUNATO AND MOZUKU RODE?

AWESOME... I CAN SEE OUTSIDE!

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THDUMP

I DID, DIDN'T I. MY BAD... TSUMUGI.

TANIKAZE! JUST NOW, YOU PUT NOT ONLY YOUR OWN BUT TSUMUGI'S LIFE IN DANGER TOO!

YEAH ...

BSHT

HAAH, THAT WAS CLOSE.

MORE IMPORTANTLY, I'M GLAD YOU BELIEVED IN ME ENOUGH TO TRUST ME WITH YOUR LIFE.

NO ...

KSHHH

SQUISH

PLAK

GKUNG

GWOOM

MR. TANIKAZE, YOUR UNIT ...

NOT AT ALL

BUT ...

THANK YOU, TSUMUGI.

TAANIKAAZE!!

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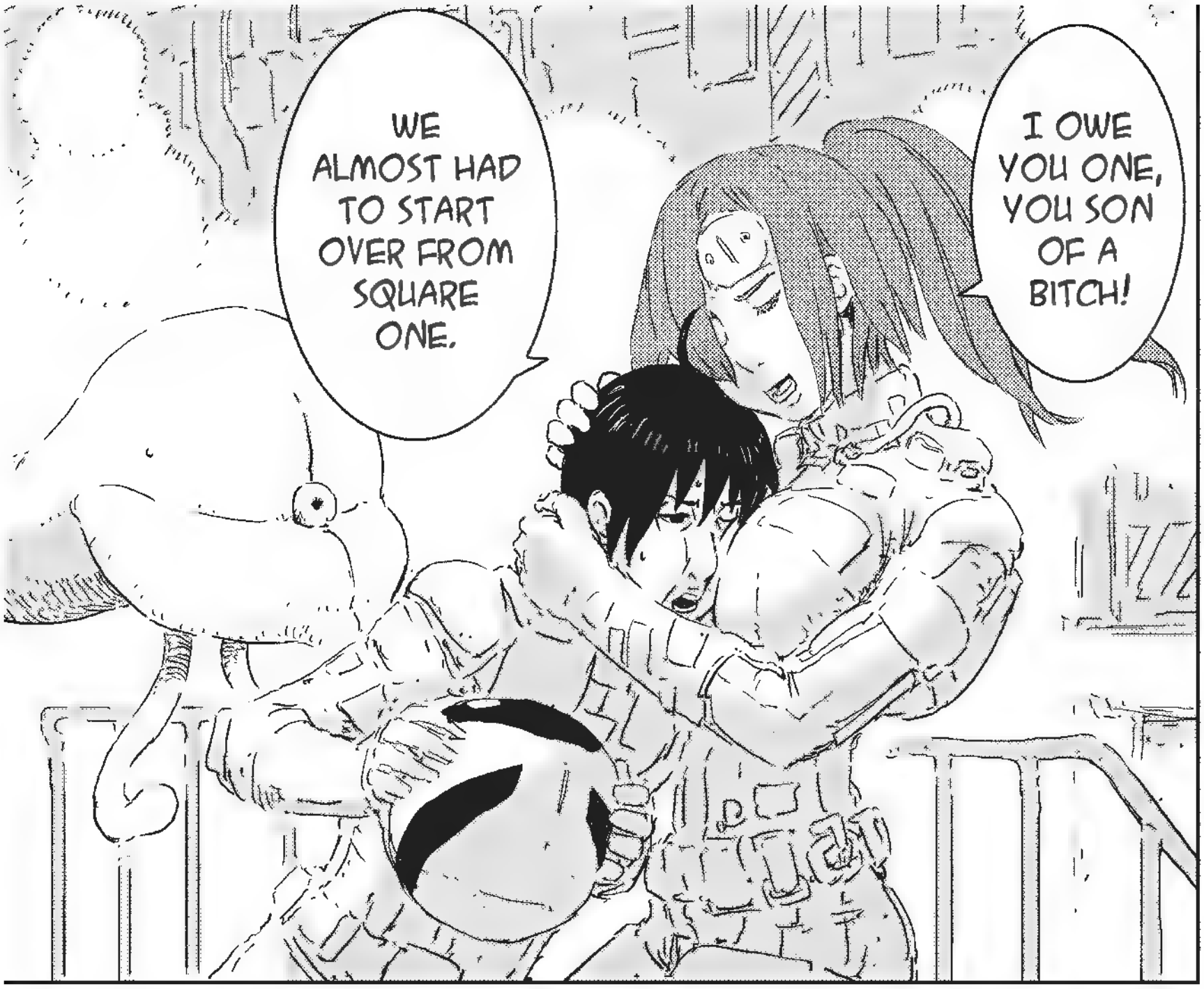
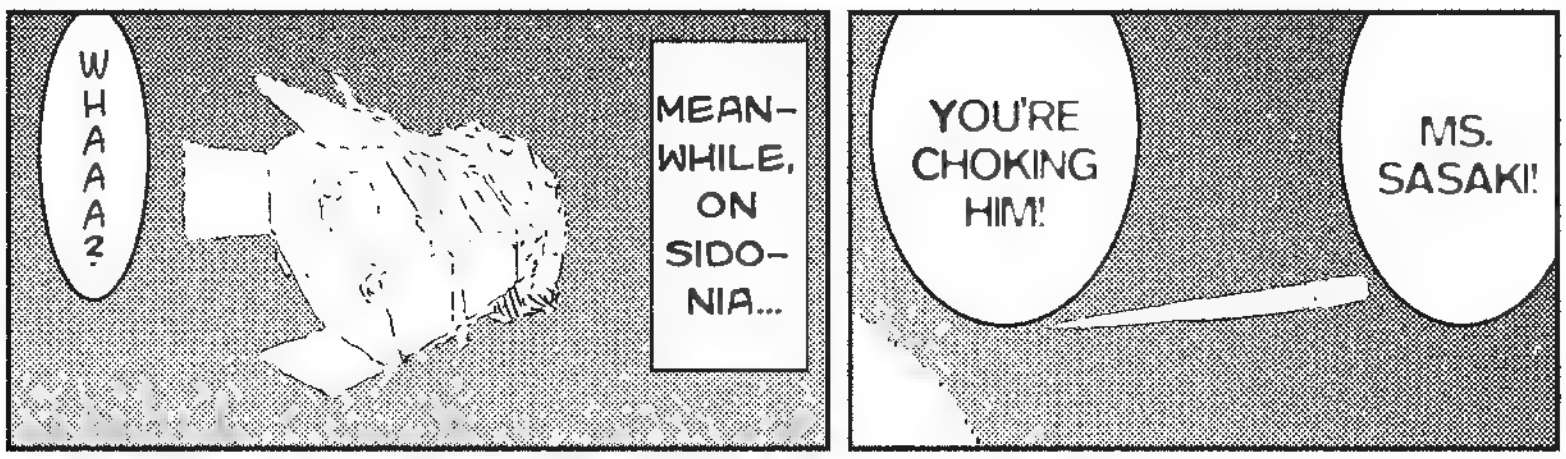
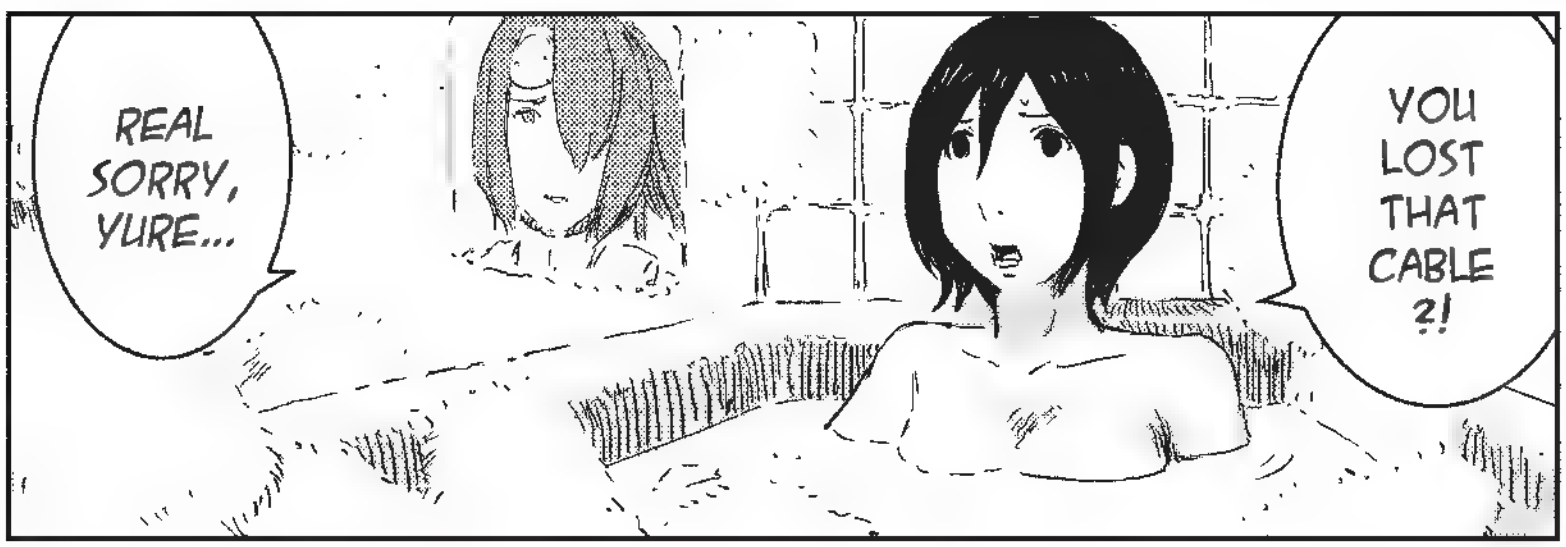
MS. SASAKI'S NOT GONNA BE HAPPY.

YEAH... THAT UNIT SERVED ME WELL...







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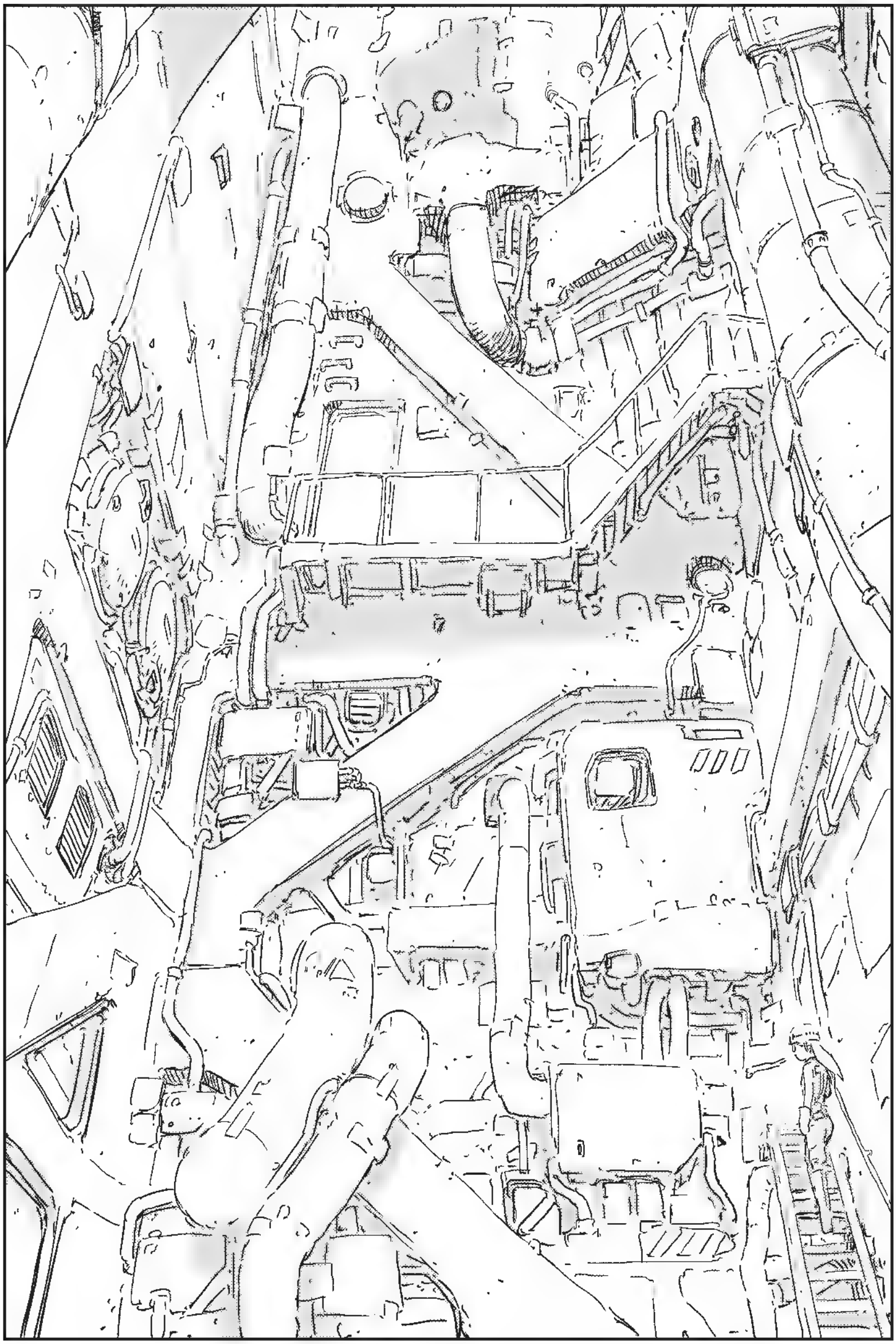

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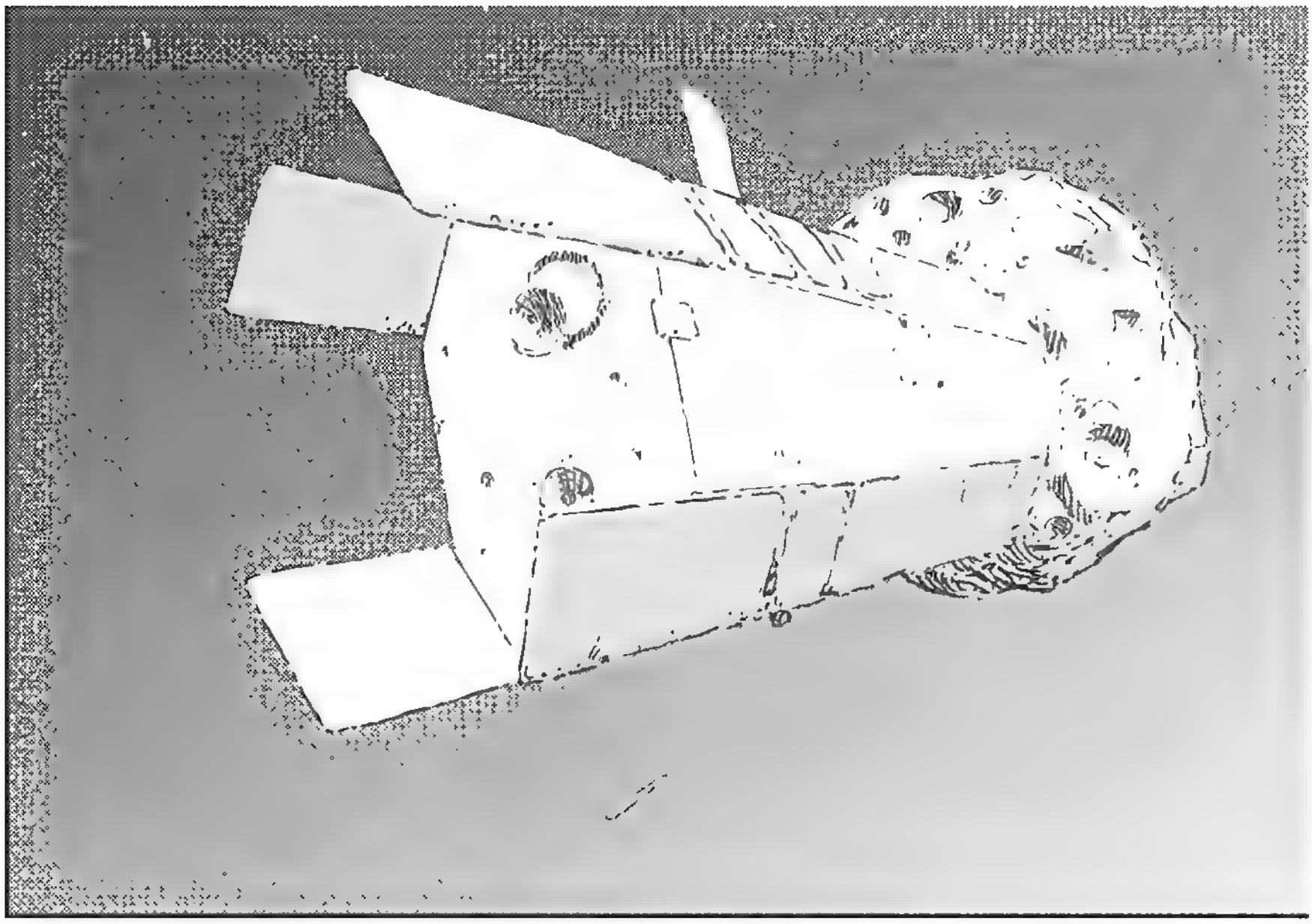

MIZUKI DOCKING COMPLETE !
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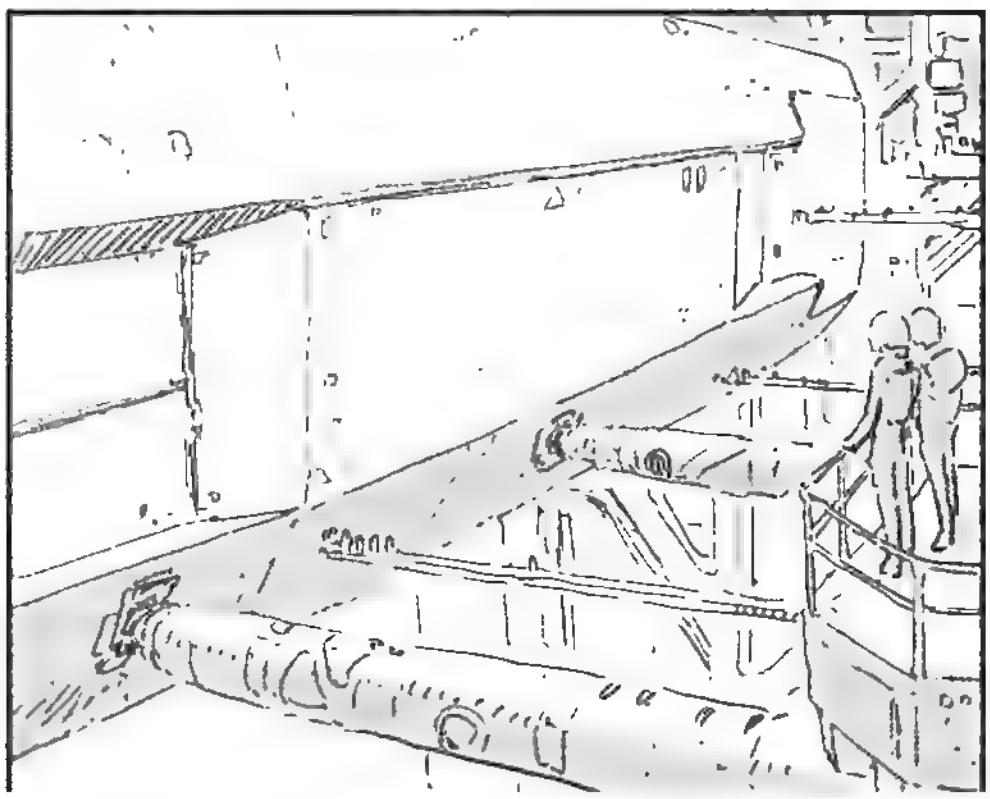

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MR. TANBA, UH... I'M SORRY. THE PROTOTYPE ...

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GOOD JOB!

WEL-COME BACK!

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BUT YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO APOLOGIZE FOR.

THAT WAS A GOOD UNIT. DID A GREAT JOB, RIGHT 'TIL THE END.

OH, I SEE ...

THE PROTOTYPE WAS THE FIRST UNIT SHE WAS IN CHARGE OF.

H-HEY, SHIJIMI. WHAT'S WITH THE SCARY FACE?

YOU'RE NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO FEELS THE LOSS OF THE PROTOTYPE, SHIJIMI.

THAT PLAN WAS SCRAPPED IN LINE WITH TANIKAZE'S WISHES.

S-SORRY.

I NEVER TOLD YOU THIS, SHIJIMI, BUT...

ONE PLAN WAS TO TEST-CRASH THAT UNIT ON LEM ANYWAY

AT THE END OF THE EXPEDITION.

YOW!

DON'T BE DISSING MR. TANIKAZE!

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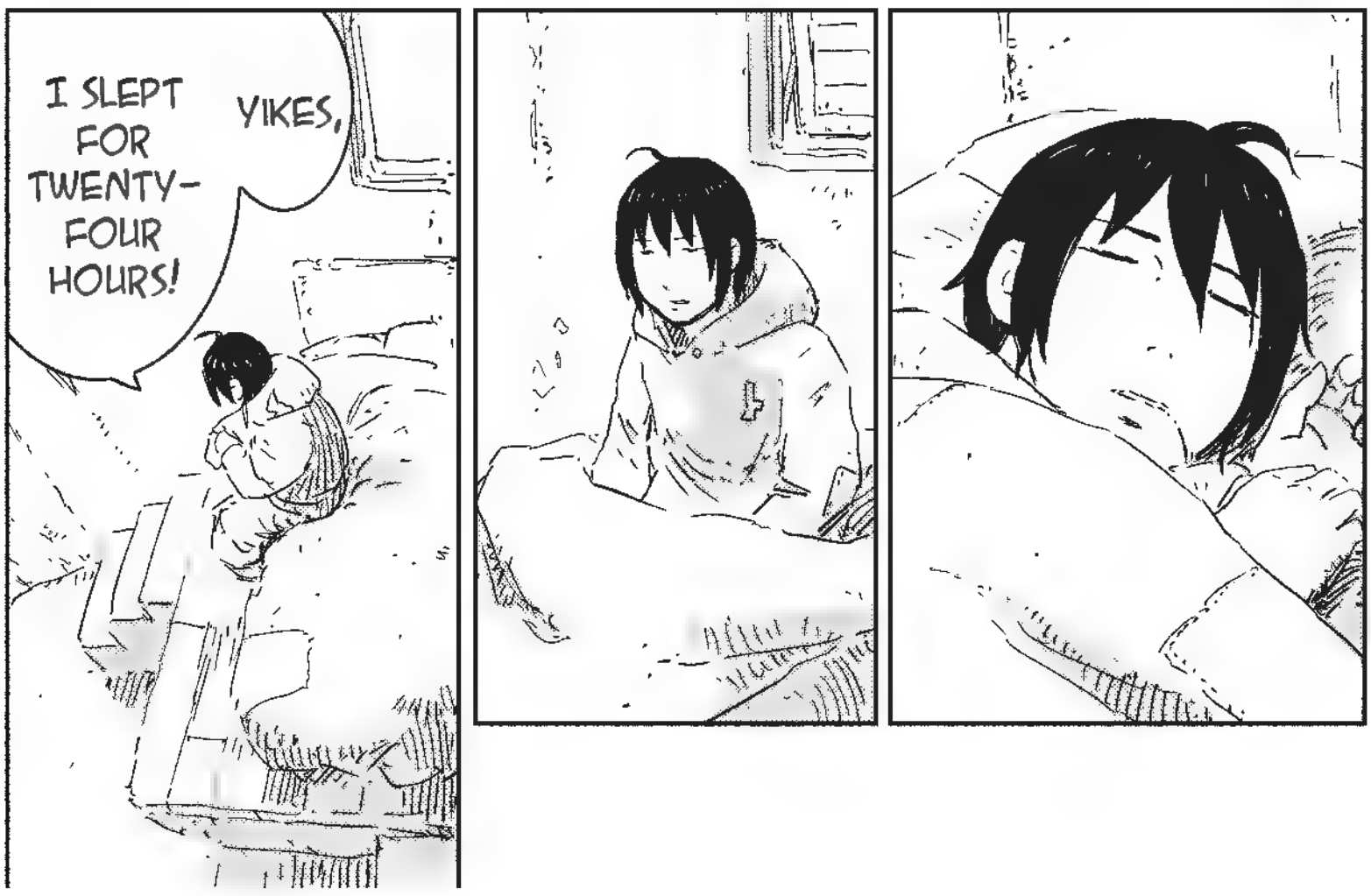
IF THEY WERE GONNA THROW IT AWAY, THEY COULD'VE GIVEN IT TO US.

WHY ARE YOU APOLO-GIZING, SHIJIMI?


I SLEPT FOR TWENTY-FOUR HOURS!
YIKES,

OFF TO SEE MY GRANDMA.
—IZANA

HANGING AROUND OUTSIDE SIDONIA.

THERE'S RICE BALLS IN THE FOOD COMPARTMENT FOR YOU.
—TSUMUGI

TOHA HEAVY INDUSTRIES
—SASAKI

BIP

MORNING.

...

RIGHT... WE'RE ALL ON VACATION NOW.

I'M ON LEAVE, BUT I'VE GOT NOTHING TO DO AND I JUST CAN'T SEEM TO SIT STILL,

SO I CAME TO USE THE TRAINING SIMULATOR.

THE TESTS AREN'T TODAY.

WHAT'S THE MATTER?

PHEW.

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VREEE

LAUNCH OF TWELVE SERIES 18 GARDES COMPLETE!

TARGET, 0872KX.

ACCORDING TO SURVEILLANCE DATA, IT SEEMS TO BE A NATURALLY FORMED PLANETOID, BUT THERE IS A GAUNA LURKING INSIDE OF IT.

0872KX IS A PLANETOID CIRCLING LEM AND HAS A MAXIMUM DIAMETER OF 900 METERS.

AFTER THAT WE'LL TASK YOU AS WE SEE FIT!

FIRST, A CLOSE-RANGE INVESTI-GATION.

0872KX

IT'S INCHING ITS WAY TOWARDS SIDONIA AS WE SPEAK.

SIDONIA

NINE

TWELVE-UNIT CLASP ARRAY!

ROGER!

REAL COMBAT AT LAST, HUH, HAMAGATA?

I'LL TURN YOU TO FOAM IN SECONDS.

JUST YOU WAIT, YOU GALINA BASTARD.

DISENGAGE CLASP ARRAY!

GARDE TEAM IS APPROACHING THE TARGET!

I HOPE SERIES 185 ARE UP TO WHATEVER IT THROWS AT THEM.

EVEN IF THERE'S ONLY ONE,

NAGATE.

HAHH.

HAHH.

CIRCLING TARGET AND OBSERVING.

THIS GAS IS IN THE WAY.

WE CAN'T LOCATE THE GALINA FROM OUTSIDE!

SHOOT A SMALL-SCALE PROBE AT ONE OF THE HOLES.

WE HAVE VISUAL DATA.

I'LL PUT IT UP.

ROGER THAT!

POFF

BAFFT

PIPIING
GAUNA FOUND!
CORE COUNT: ONE.

THAT SHAPE'S A FIRST.

FROM A SAFE DISTANCE, AND WHEN THE GAUNA EMERGES, SNIPE AT IT!

DESTROY THE PLANETOID WITH YOUR PORTABLE ANTI-PLANETARY GUIDED PROJECTILES

GARDE TEAM, GET SOME DISTANCE FOR NOW!

THE GAUNA CORE IS NOT IN A PLACE WE CAN TARGET FROM OUTSIDE!

CORE

THERE'S JUST ONE CORE. WE CAN KILL IT DEAD FOR SURE IF WE MOVED IN NOW!

BUT WHY ?!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! COME BACK!!

THOOM

WHA, HAMAGATA !!

?!!

BEEP

BEEP

I SAY KILL IT AND BE DONE WITH IT.

I'M NOT LETTING AN OPPORTUNITY LIKE THIS GET AWAY.

TH-
THERE'S
PLACENTA
ON MY BACK!!
GET IT OFF,
PLEASE!!

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GAAHH!!

IT'S STUCK
ON TIGHT!
IT'S NOT
COMING
OFF!

H-
HURRY
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MAJOR DAMAGE TO BOTH HAMAGATA UNIT AND HASHINE UNIT!!

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THE PLA-CENTA BLEW UP!!

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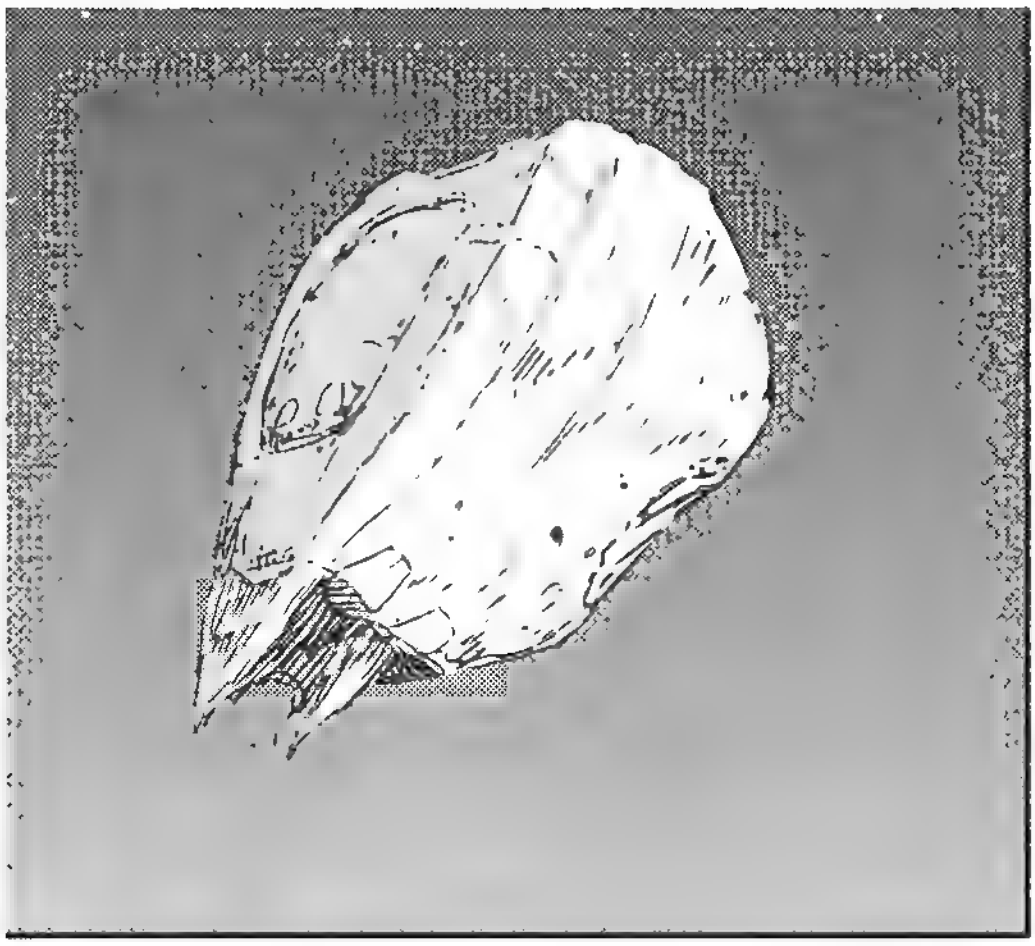
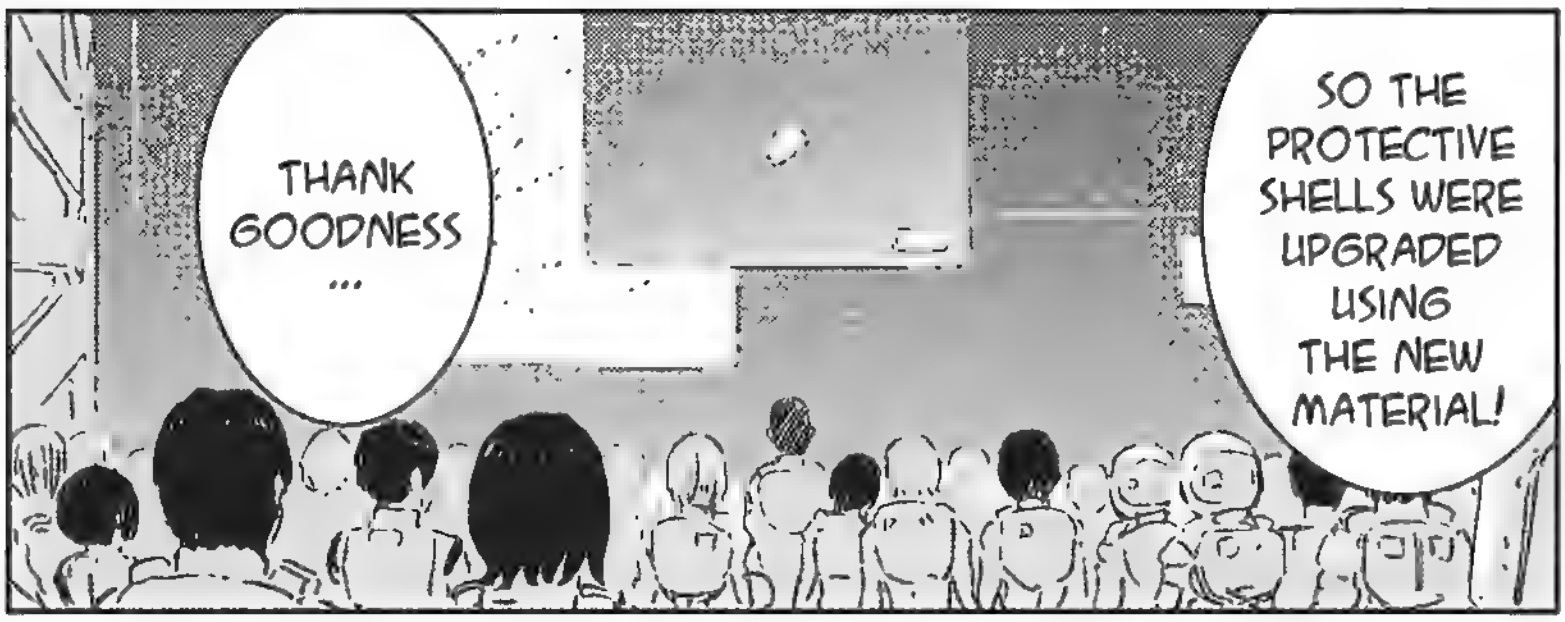
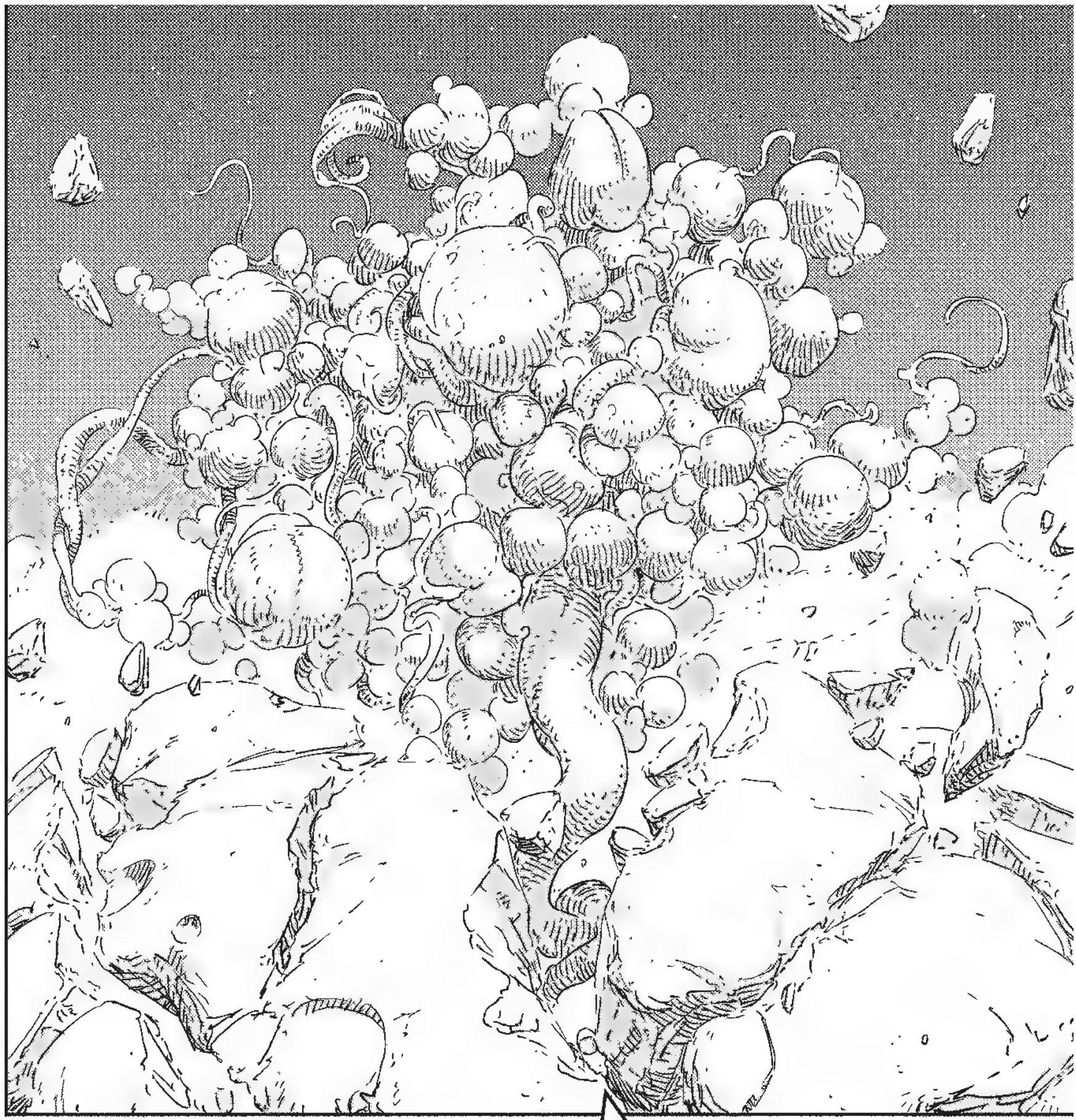


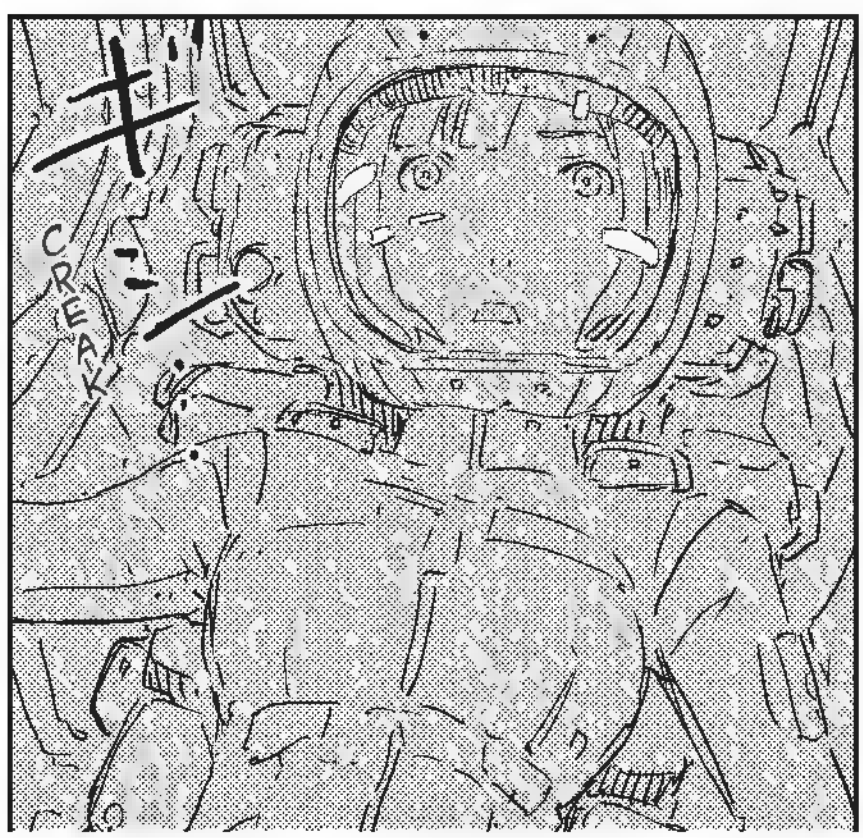
THE COCKPIT SHELLS OF BOTH UNITS ARE STILL INTACT!


THANK GOODNESS ...
SO THE PROTECTIVE SHELLS WERE UPGRADED USING THE NEW MATERIAL!

THE LOCATION OF THE HASHINE UNIT COCKPIT SHELL...

RETRIEVE THE SHELLS AND RETREAT AT ONCE!

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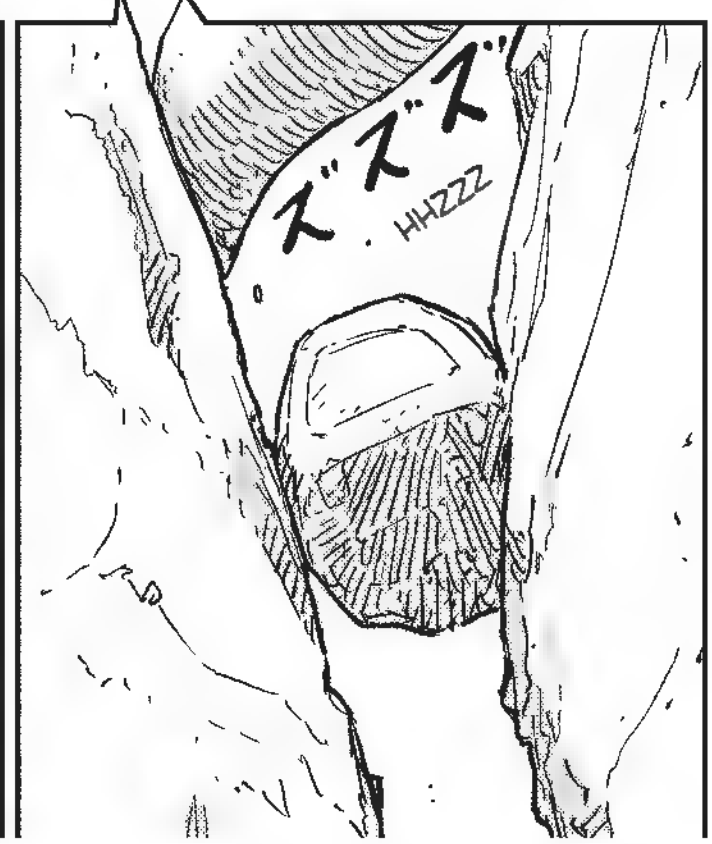
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HHZZZ

WE HAVE NO IDEA WHAT MIGHT SET OFF ANOTHER BLAST.

WE NEED TO WATCH WHAT WE DO.

UGH ...

VWOOSH

HASHINE UNIT COCKPIT SHELL HAS SUSTAINED DAMAGE. IT WON'T SURVIVE ANOTHER BLAST.

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COUNT OF GAUNA'S EXPLOSIVE BULBAR PLACENTA RISING.

HAMAGATA UNIT SHELL SECURED!

GAKNNG

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IF THE GALNA GETS WITHIN OUR ON-BOARD CANNONS' EFFECTIVE RANGE, DESTROY IT.

UP TO THEN, I ENTRUST COMMAND TO YOU.

YES, MA'AM !

NOOOOO !!

TARGET'S SPEED IS INCREASING. IT SEEMS TO BE ACCELERATING !

...

MS. SASAKI !!

BUT HOW DO WE RESCUE HER WITHOUT ONE OF THOSE BULBS EXPLODING?

THERE'S STILL PLENTY OF TIME ...

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

I THOUGHT YOU'D BE COMING SO I'VE STARTED PREPPING ALREADY.

I KNOW.

OKAY, TANIKAZE. GO FOR IT!

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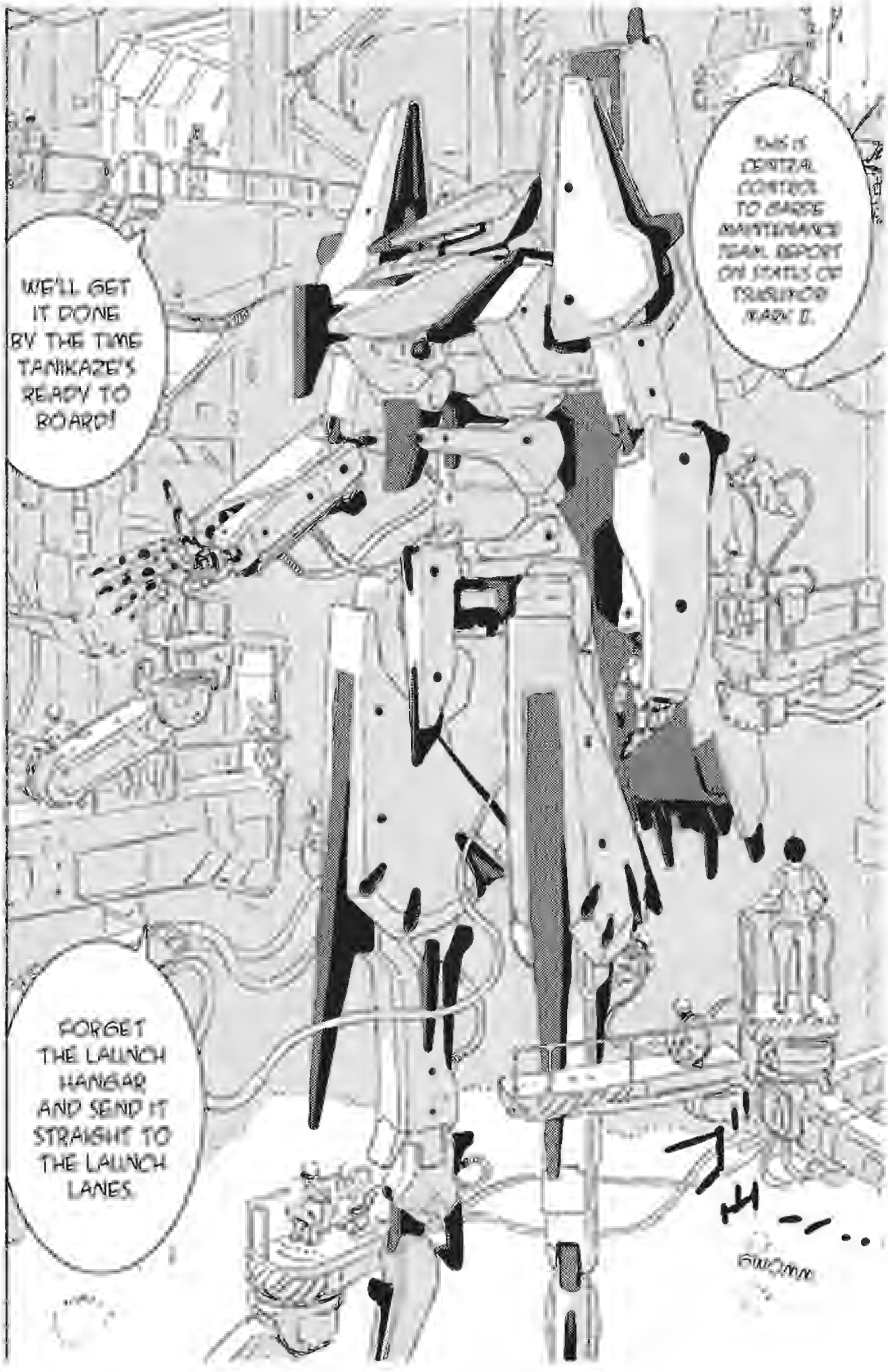
ASSISTANT COMMANDER MIDORIKAWA!

I THINK I MAY BE ABLE TO RECOVER HASHINE UNIT'S SHELL!


WE'LL GET IT DONE BY THE TIME TANIKAZE'S READY TO BOARD!
THIS IS CENTRAL CONTROL TO BASE MAINTENANCE TEAM. REPORT ON STATUS OF TSUKUYOMI MARK II.
FORGET THE LAUNCH HANGAR AND SEND IT STRAIGHT TO THE LAUNCH LANES.

NO MATTER HOW DURABLE THE FRAME, IF THE INTERIOR STRUCTURE IS FRAGILE, IT'S POINTLESS.

GWOM

GWOM

WE'RE HAVING A HARD TIME WITH THE DRIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE JOINTS AND SUCH WITH THE SERIES 20S AND ARE BEHIND.

SHFF

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SERIES 20?

GRRM

DID HE SAY TSUGUMORI MARK II?!

The new-material Hyperstructure currently being produced for the Series 20s boasts a purity of 99.999%, but since the prototype, much faster to produce at less than 30% purity, operated far better than expected, we made one more at a comparable level of purity and this is it— the Tsugumori Mark II.

Also, Mr. Tanikaze's persistent requests to prioritize upgrading the cockpit shells of the Series 18s and 19s have contributed to the delay.

The expandable hardpoints all over it give it a unique look, don't you agree? It's extremely difficult to modify Hyperstructure after the fact so we built in more than enough holes in advance. The black blades are all new synthetic kabi. We've improved on the fragility, which had been a weakness, but it's very heavy. The smoothbore cannon in the chest, inherited from the prototype, is an armament that had been added at Mr. Tanikaze's request to begin with. The main propulsion drive is an upgrade of the Kaishin 3I, and the head cannon also employs an overhauled Higgs Particle Cannon

That quickly-produced prototype didn't conform with normal Garde operation standards, so it couldn't use the launch lanes or turrets and that was kind of inconvenient. But those headaches are completely gone with this Mark II!

...

GKMM

TANIKAZE'S RIDE ALWAYS ENDS UP IN THE FRAY WITHOUT ANY TRIAL RUNS.

FINAL CHECK COMPLETE ON ALL ITEMS!

PILOT BOARDING CONFIRMED ...

THE GAUNA DON'T GIVE A DAMN WHEN'S GOOD FOR US AFTER ALL.

OPEN LAUNCH BULKHEADS !

CENTRAL CONTROL TO LAUNCH CONTROL. TSUGUMORI MARK II AND TSUMUGI ARE CLEARED FOR TAKEOFF.

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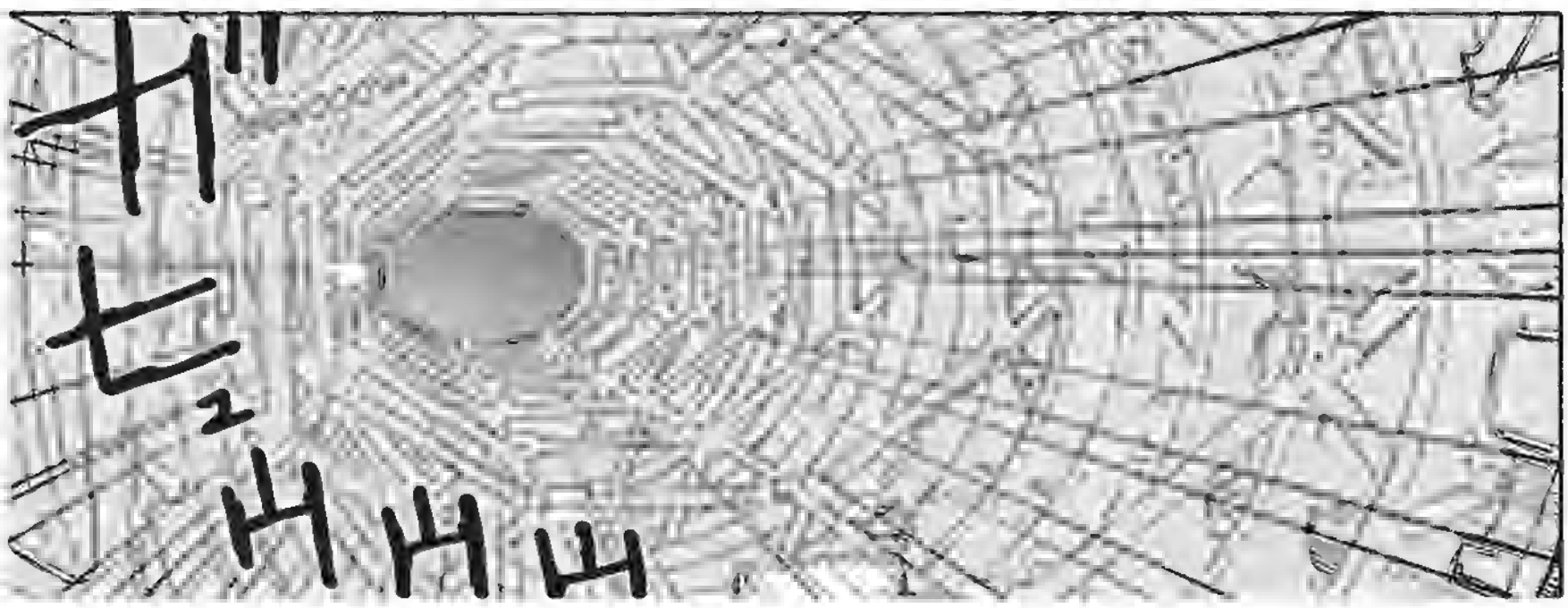
GKUNG



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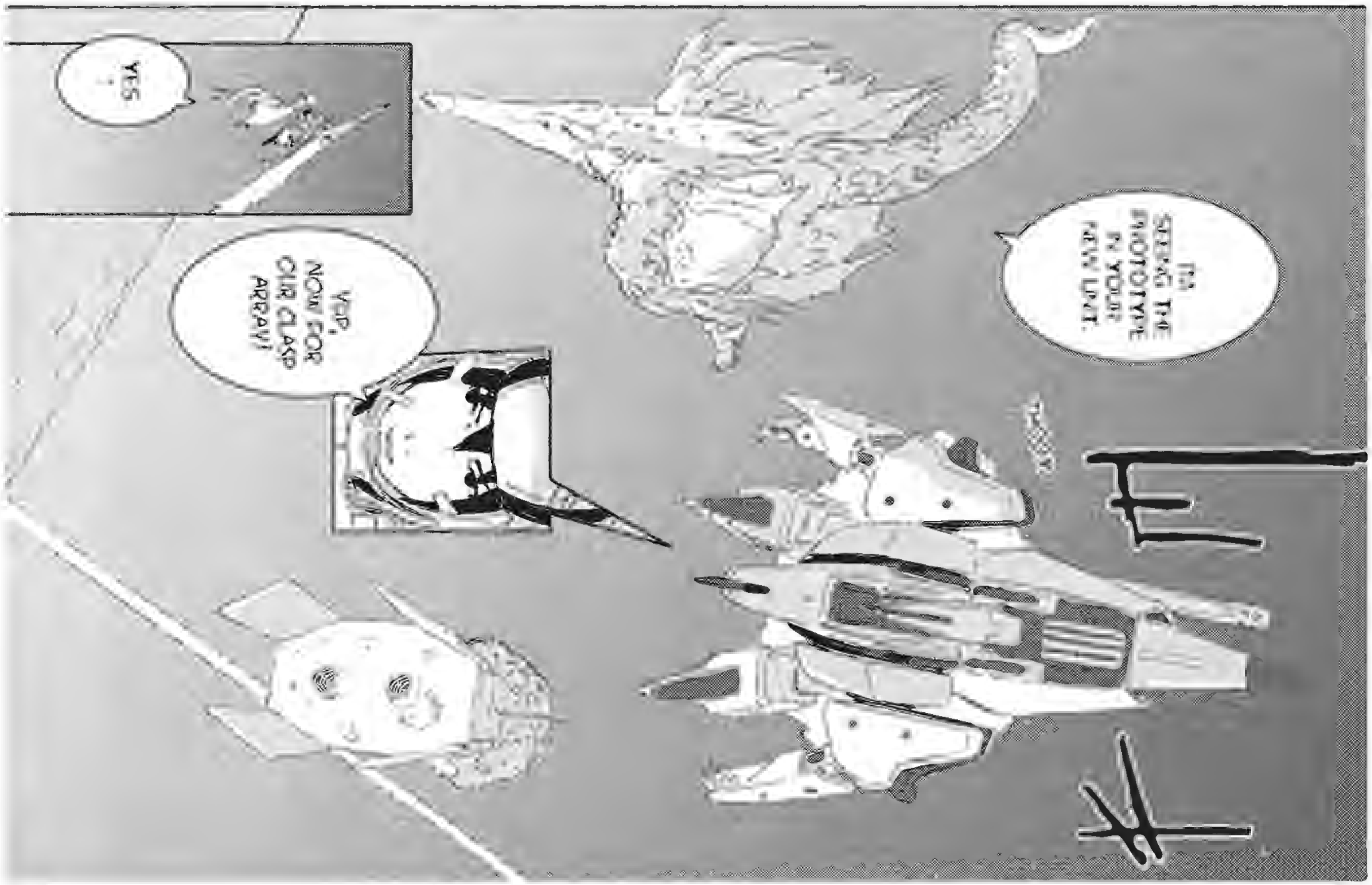


シドニアの騎士

KNIGHTS OF SIDONIA

SAMARI'S GRANDMOTHER AND SERIES 16 GARDE COCKPIT

Chapter 62: The New Piles' Maiden Battle—Part Two

One Hundred Sights of Sidonia Part Forty-Seven:
Outer Circumference Wall Connecting Bridge Interior Hallway

TANIKAZE UNIT AND TSUMUGI, A HUNDRED THOUSAND KILO UNITS TO TARGET.

THERE IS A HIGH PROBABILITY THAT SNIPING WITH GCPDS WILL INDUCE THE BULBAR PLACENTA TO DETONATE!

GAUNA

CORE

NO CHANGE IN THE GAUNA'S SHAPE OR OTHER FACTORS.

HASHINE UNIT COCKPIT SHELL

STATUS OF THE PLANETOID ?

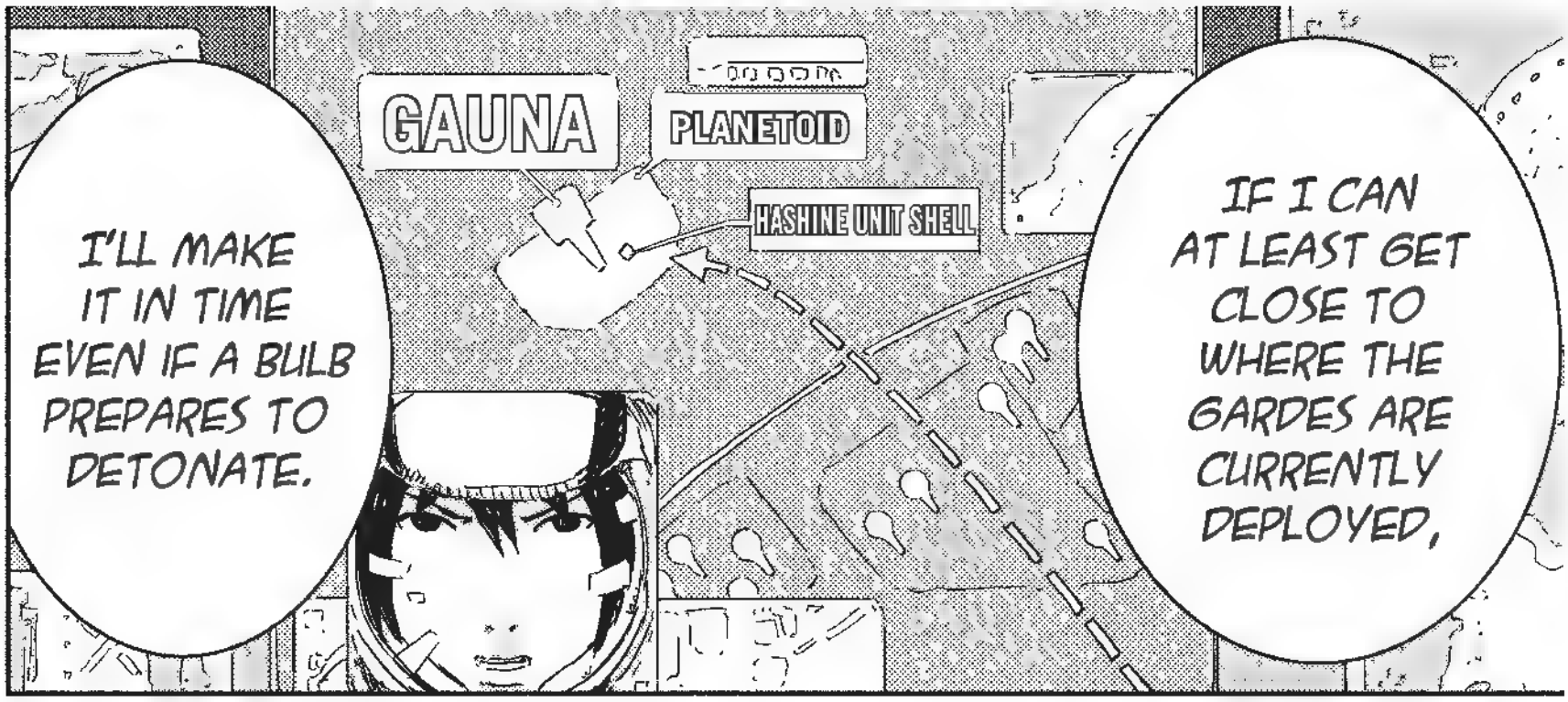
TANIKAZE

I'M GOING TO GET IN BETWEEN THE GAUNA AND THE HASHINE UNIT SHELL WITH THE TSUGUMORI MARK II AND SHIELD HER!

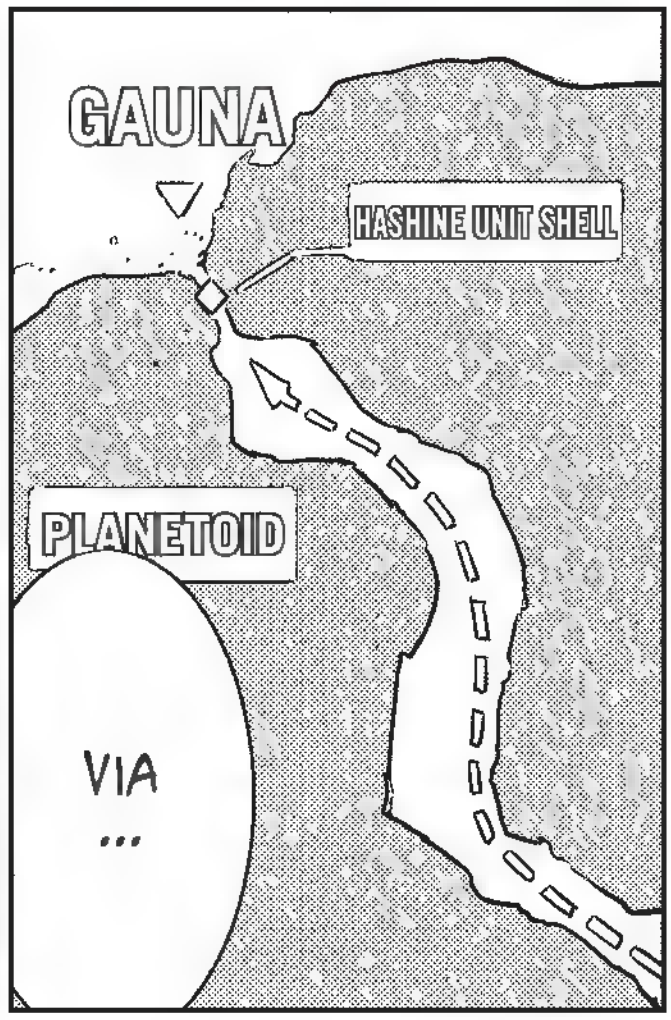
HUH ?!

HASHINE UNIT'S COCKPIT SHELL CAN'T WITHSTAND THE SHOCK OF ANOTHER EXPLOSION.

TANIKAZE, HOW DO YOU MEAN TO RESCUE HER?


GAUNA
PLANETOID
HASHINE UNIT SHELL
I'LL MAKE IT IN TIME EVEN IF A BULB PREPARES TO DETONATE.
IF I CAN AT LEAST GET CLOSE TO WHERE THE GARDES ARE CURRENTLY DEPLOYED,

PLUS THERE'S NO WAY YOU'LL BE ABLE TO GET CLOSE WITHOUT THE GAUNA NOTICING YOU!!
VIA A CREVICE THAT NARROW ?!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PLANETOID
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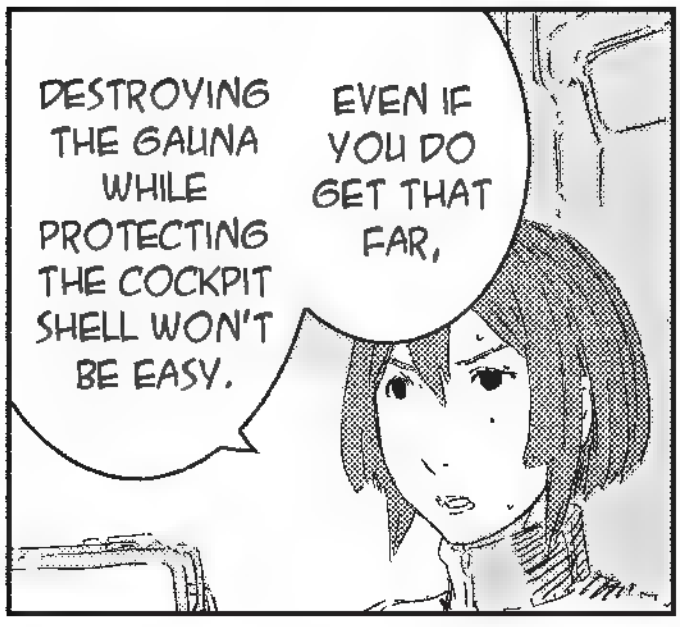
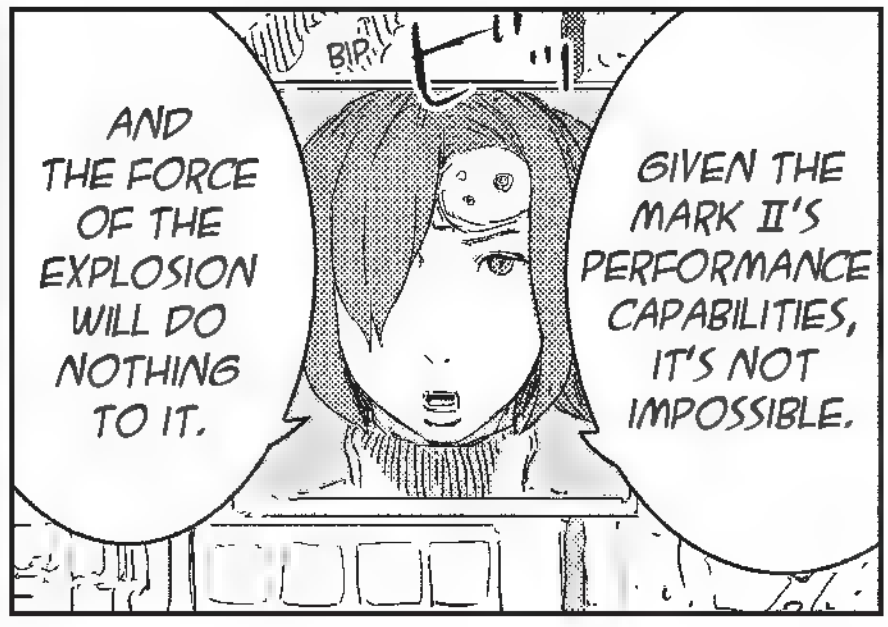
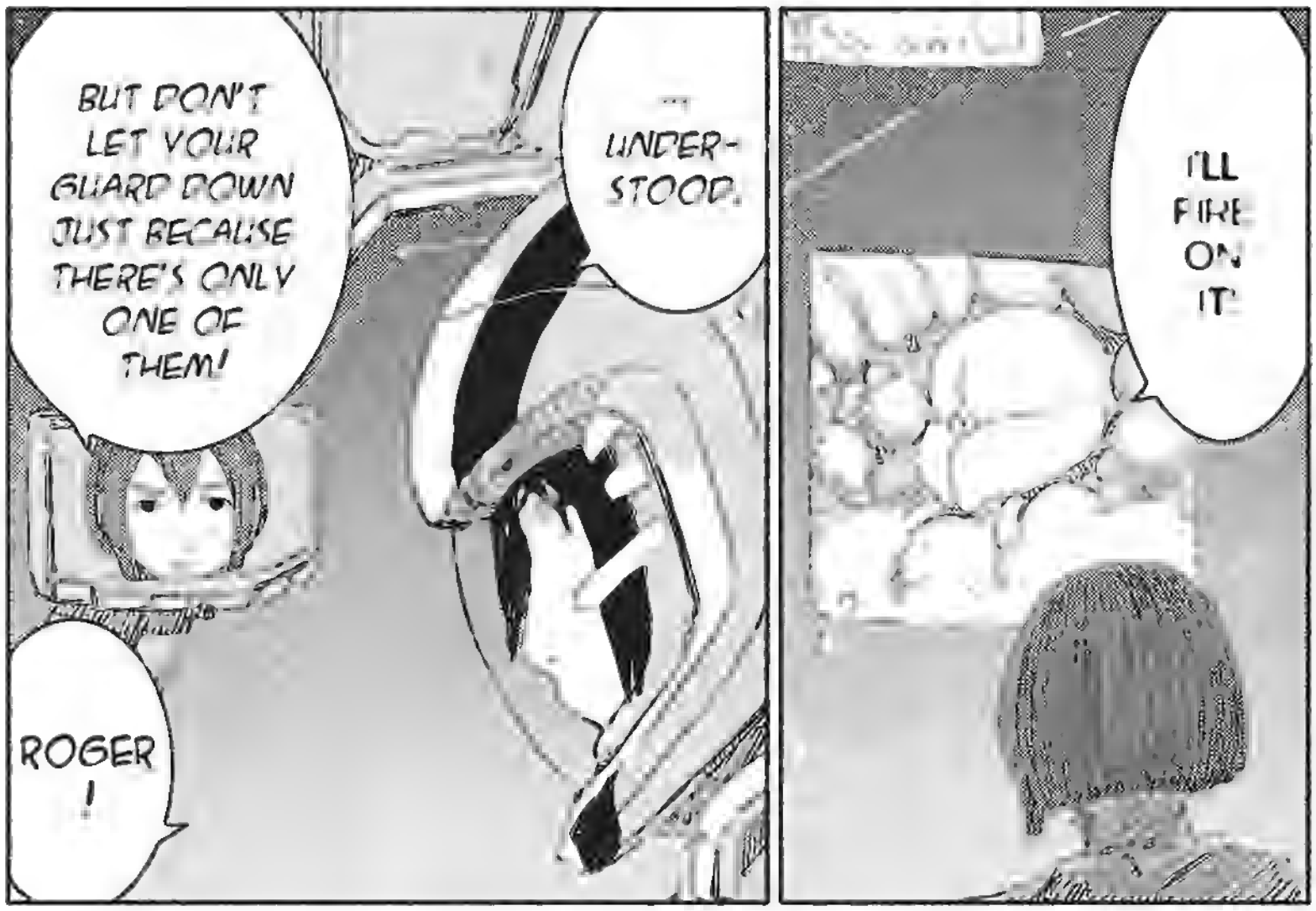
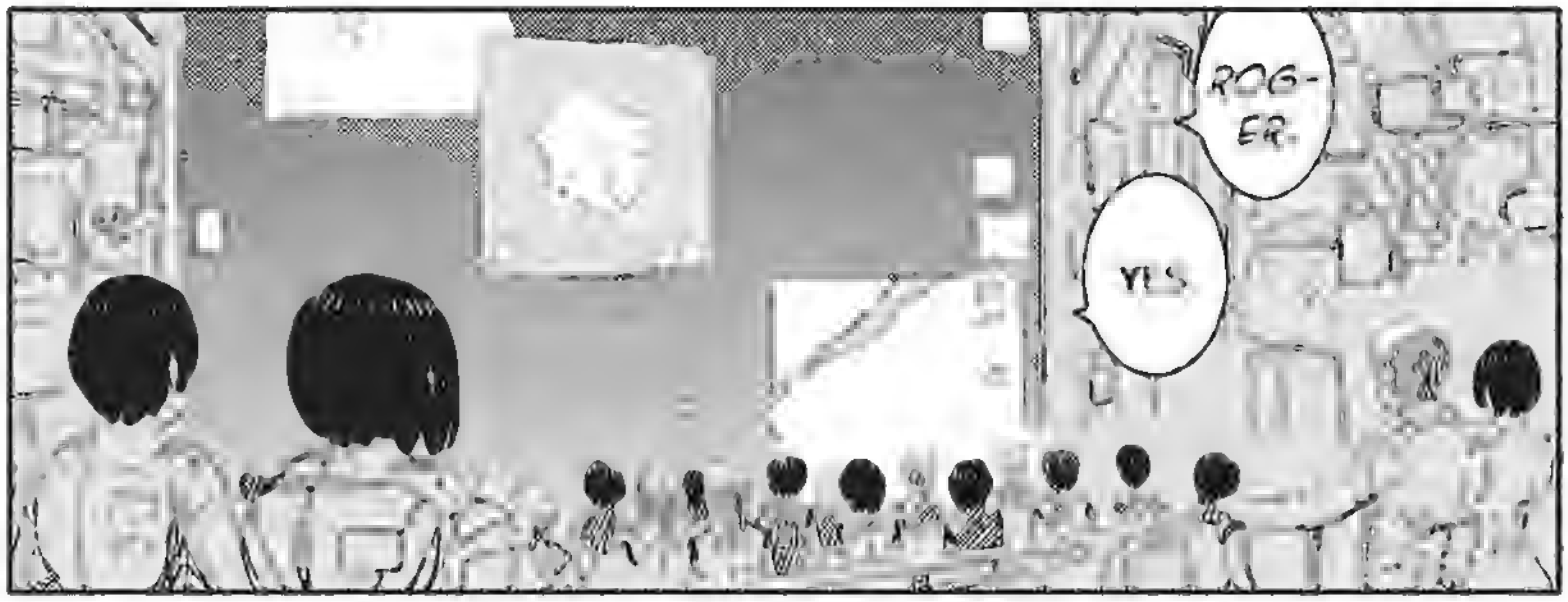
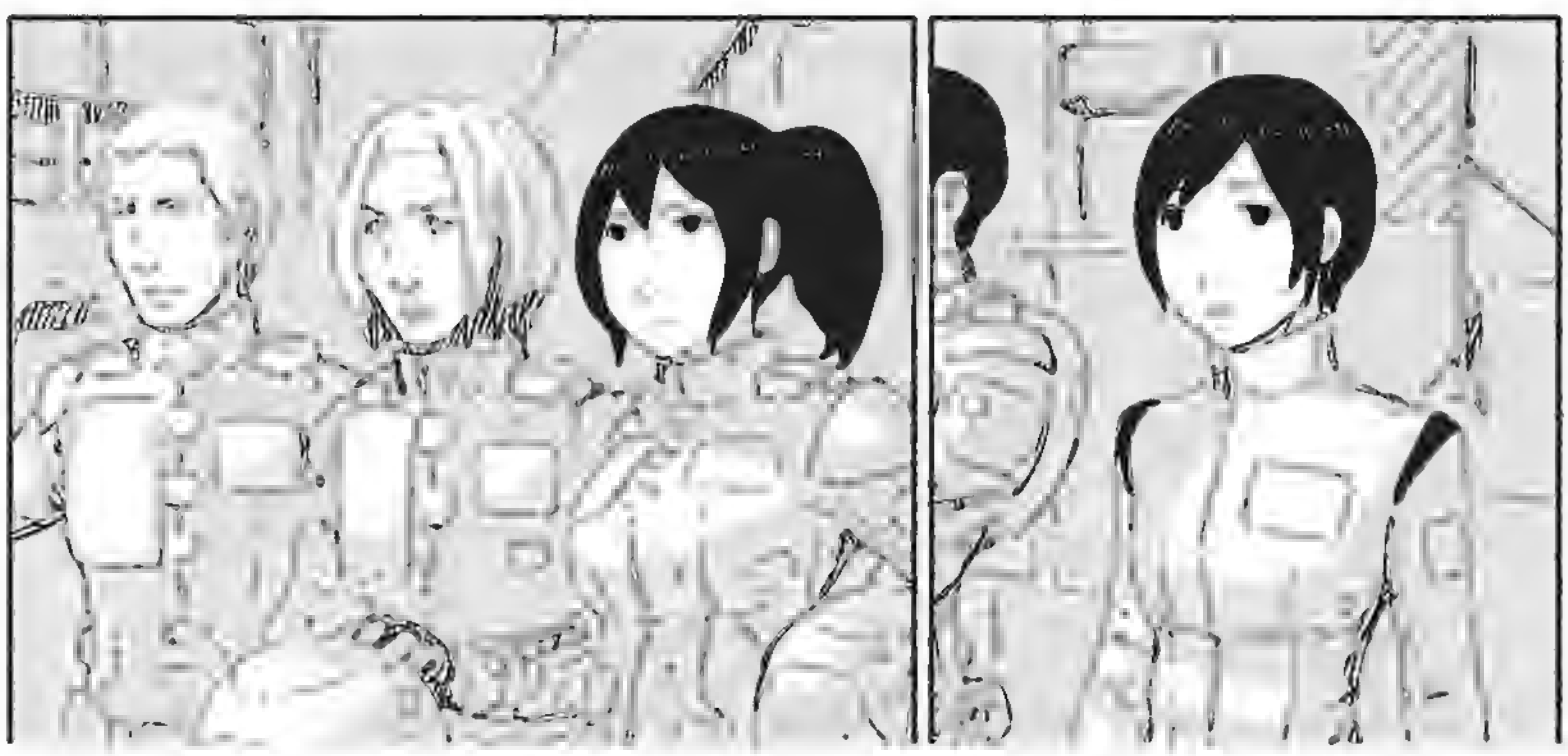
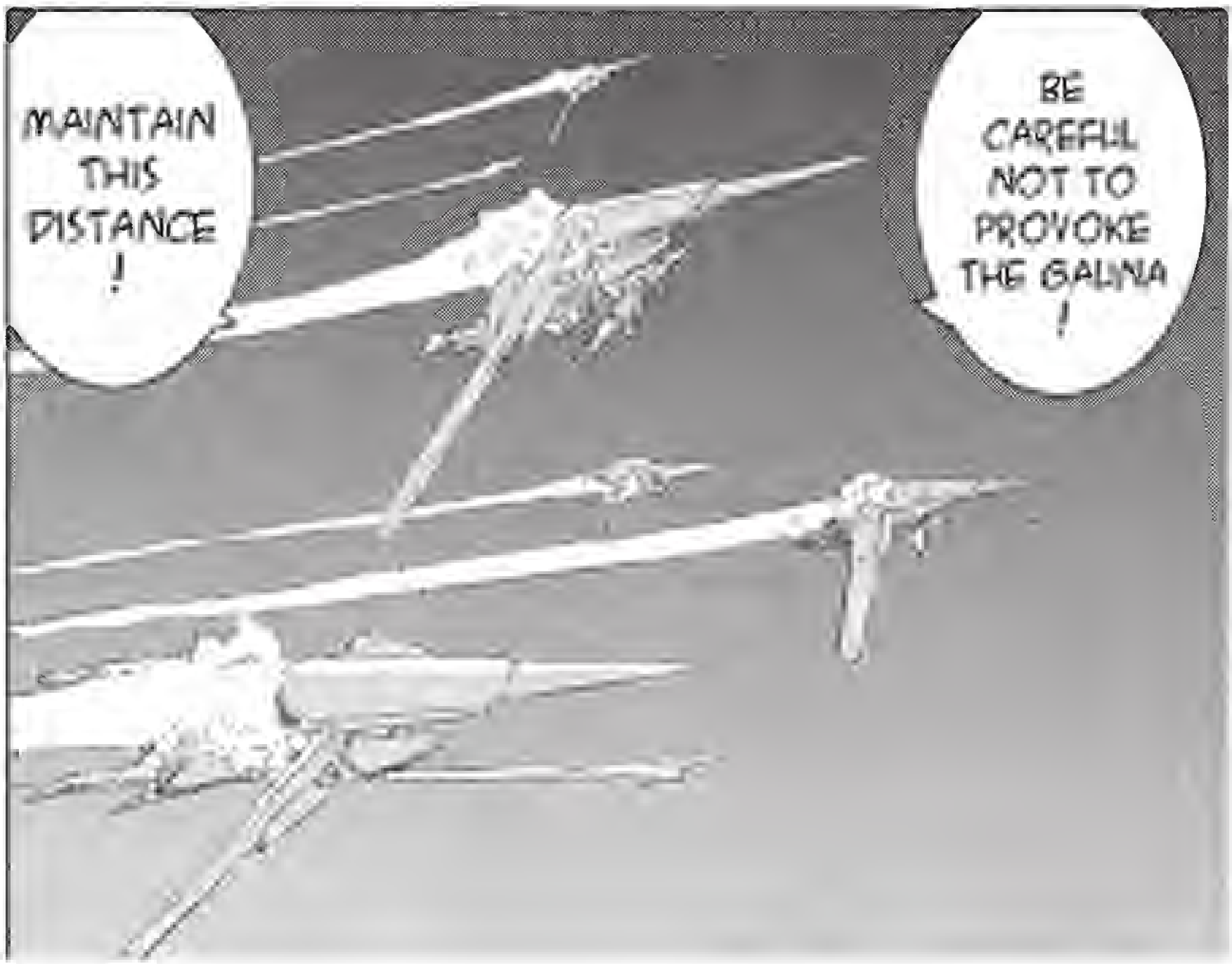

DESTROYING THE GAUNA WHILE PROTECTING THE COCKPIT SHELL WON'T BE EASY.
EVEN IF YOU DO GET THAT FAR,


BIP
AND THE FORCE OF THE EXPLOSION WILL DO NOTHING TO IT.
GIVEN THE MARK II'S PERFORMANCE CAPABILITIES, IT'S NOT IMPOSSIBLE.


BUT DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN JUST BECAUSE THERE'S ONLY ONE OF THEM!
...UNDER-STOOD.
I'LL FIRE ON IT!
ROGER!


ROG-ER.
YES.




MAINTAIN THIS DISTANCE !
BE CAREFUL NOT TO PROVOKE THE GALINA !

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, HAMAGATA ?

DWOOSH

BECAUSE I TOOK OFF LIKE THAT, HASHINE ...

Y- YES ...

WHAT WAS I THINKING ...

... DAMN IT.

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KRIK

CRAK...

GLARE

THE END OF YOU TOO!! BE READY FOR IT!!

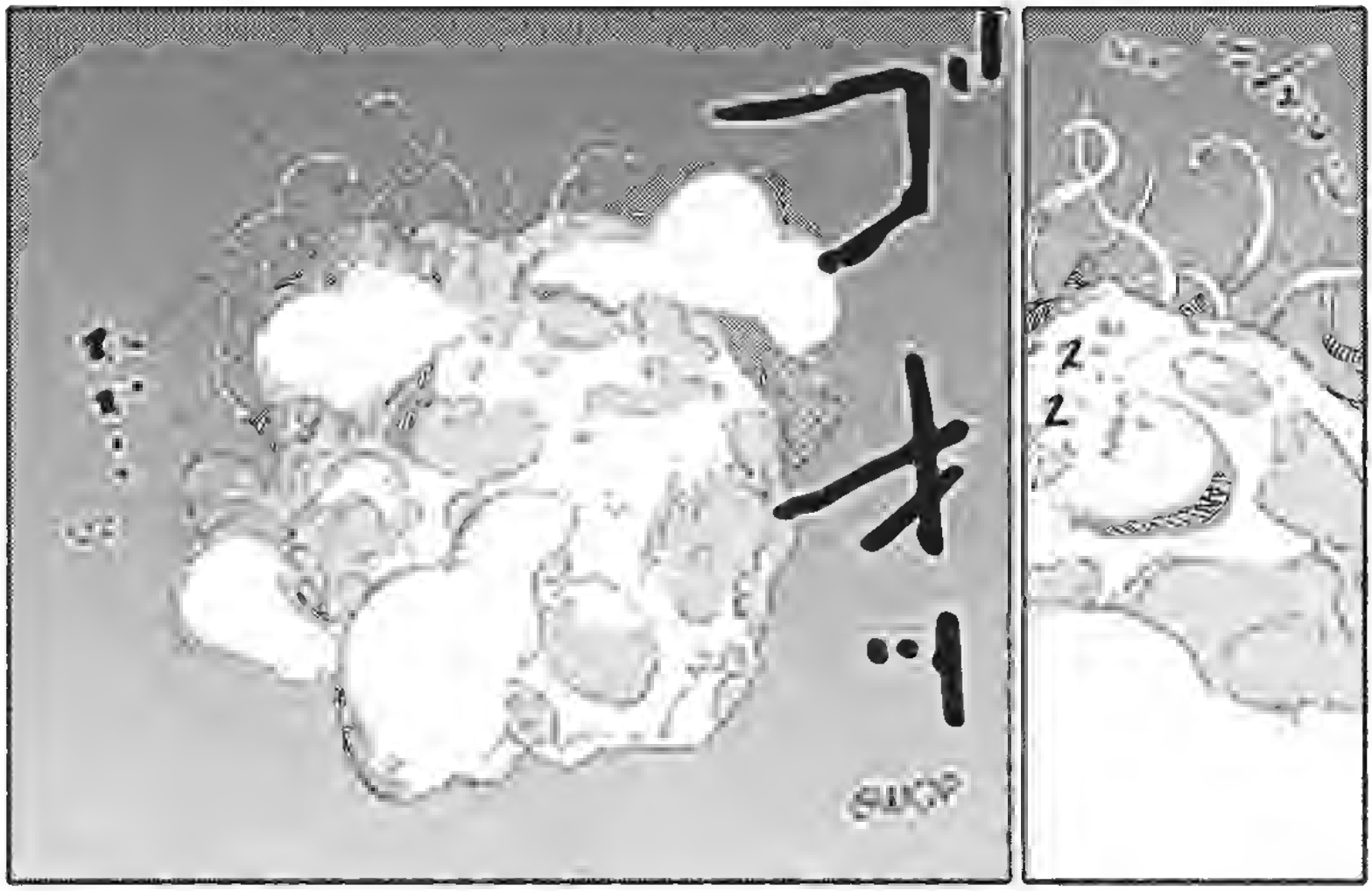
BUT WHEN YOU DO, IT'LL BE

GWRRR

WHUP

YOU BAS-TARD !!

JUST EAT ME THEN!! HURRY UP AND DO IT!!


THE GALNA IS DEPLOYING PLACENTA AT THE REAR OF THE PLANETOID!
IT'S ALSO GAINED SPEED!!
WHAT A HUGE AMOUNT OF PLACENTA

IN ORDER TO DEFEND SIDONIA WITH CERTAINTY...

THE CAPTAIN'S ORDERS ARE THE VERY LAST RESORT.

BIP

DEFENSIVE TARGET LINE

NEW SETTING

GAUNA

PLANETOID 037ZKX

KASUGA SQUAD

HAZAM

AKI SQUAD

TANIKAZ

KASUGA SQUAD, HAZAMA SQUAD, HAKOZAKI SQUAD, BE READY TO FIRE AT ANY TIME!

WE'VE ADDED A NEW TARGET LINE!!

HASHINE ...

ROGER!

THOOM

THE GAUNA IS MOVING ON HASHINE'S COCKPIT SHELL!

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AAH!

BOOM

BIP BIP BIP

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CHKINNG

KASUGA!

BETTER TO DO IT MYSELF THAN LET HER GET EATEN BY A GAUNA...

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GAKUNNG

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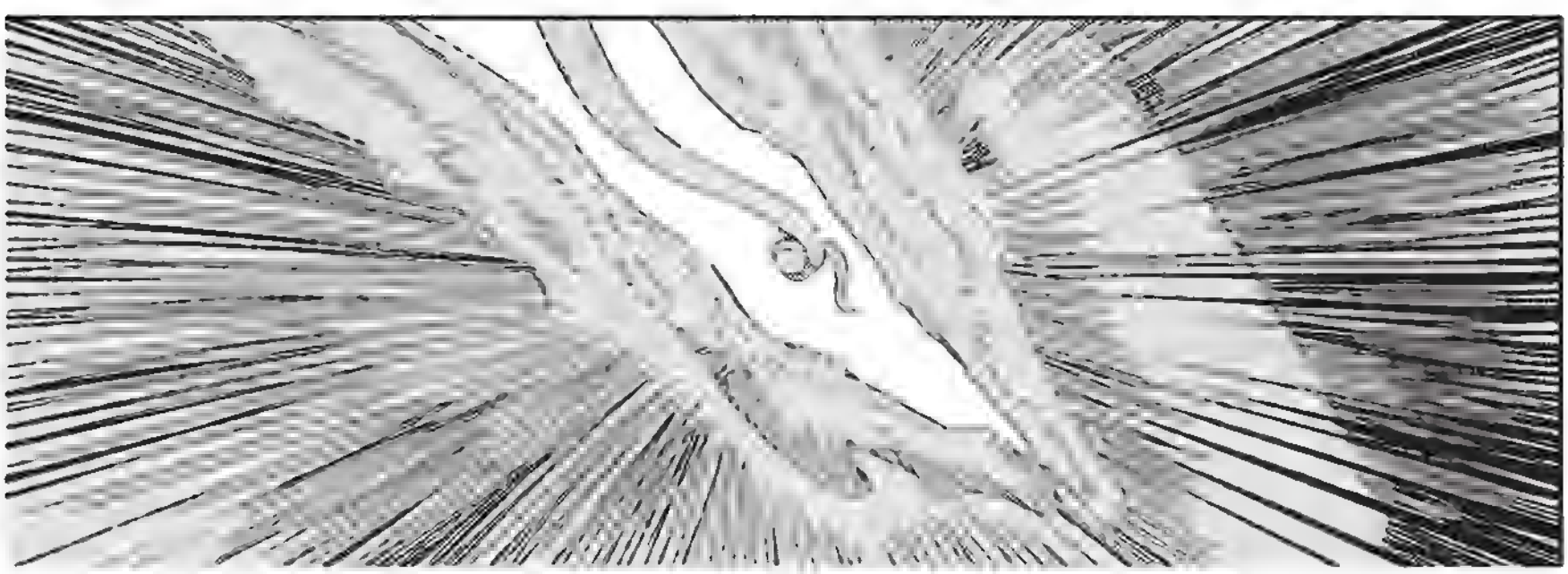
KNNG



THOOM

GRAB

SNIKT

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THE GAUNA HAS EXPLODED !!

BOOM

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TANIKAZE UNIT AND THE HASHINE UNIT COCKPIT SHELL ARE BOTH SAFE!!

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THE GAUNA HAS ENTERED INTO THE PLANETOID !!

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BIP

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I WAS UNABLE TO FIRE ...

THOOM

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TSUMUGI! IF YOU GET CAUGHT IN AN EXPLOSION, YOU WON'T BE SPARED INJURY!

ALL OF THE OPENINGS IN THE PLANETOID ARE BEING STOPPED UP WITH EXPLOSIVE PLACENTA!!

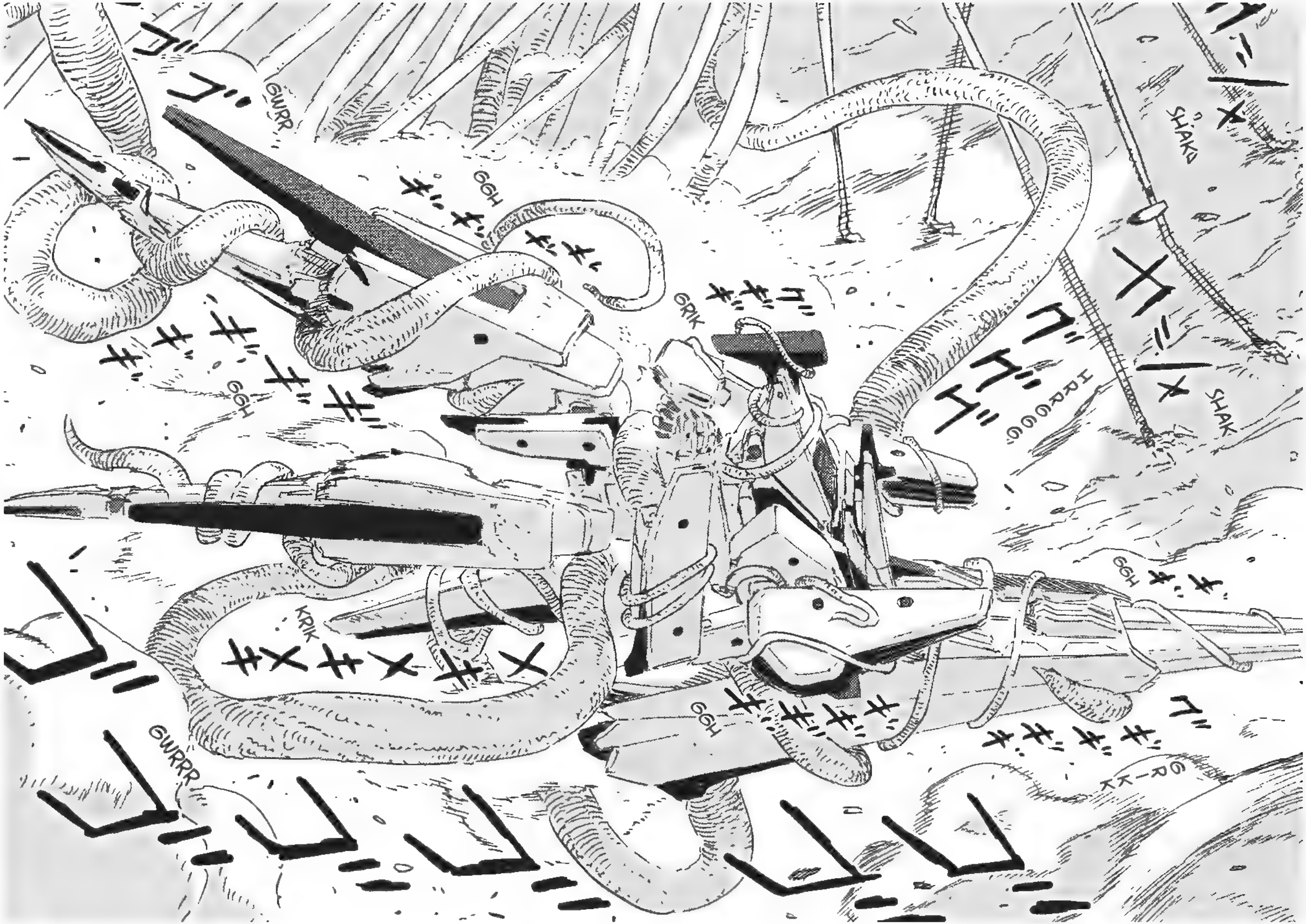
GET AWAY FROM THERE AND STAND BY!

SPTCH SPTCH

SPTCH

SPTCH

SPTCH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SHAKA
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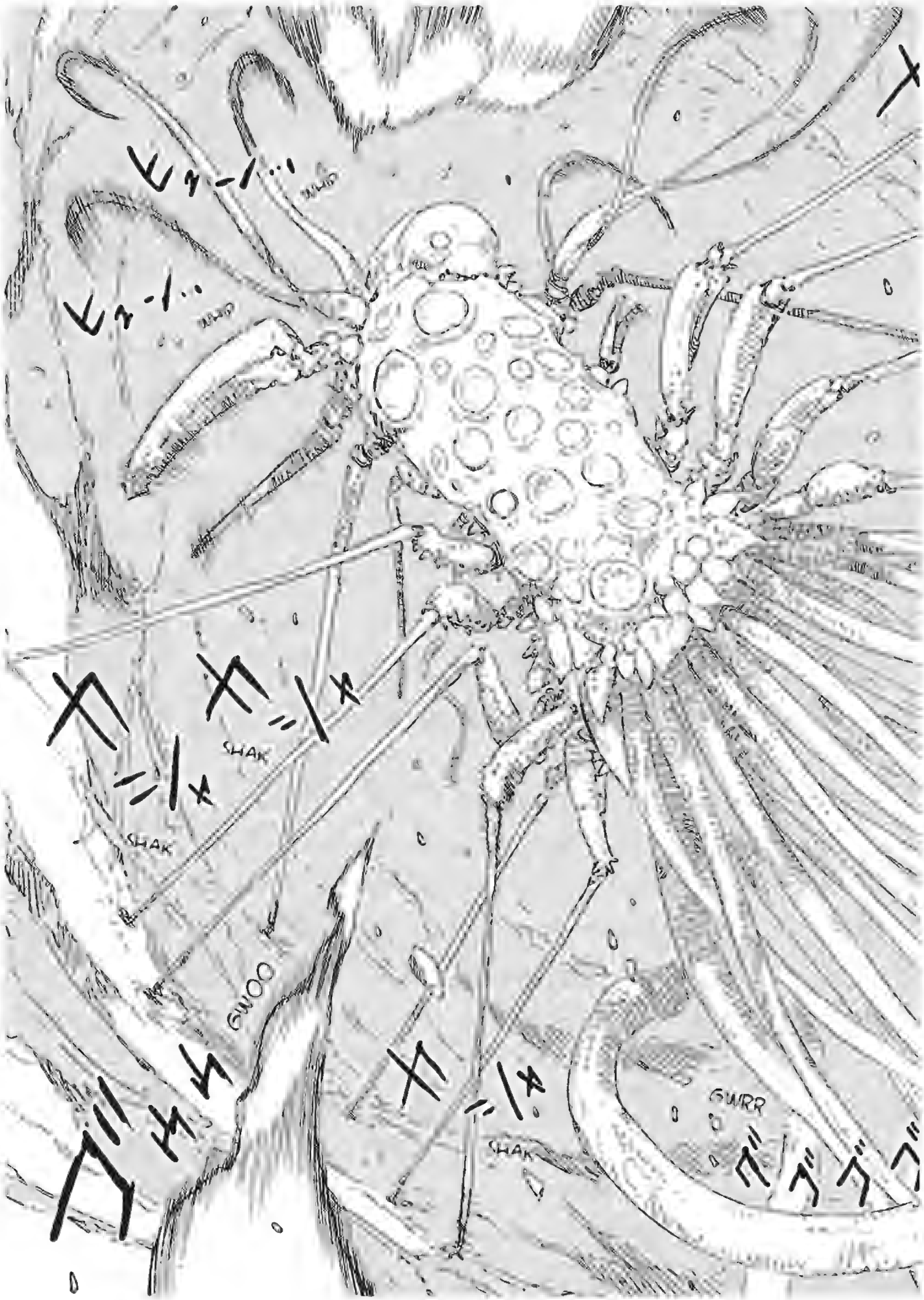
GWRR


SHAK
SHAK
GNOO
SHAK
GURR

GKRRK

TANIKAZE UNIT IS BEING RESTRAINED BY THE GAUNA!

FIDGET

MR. TANIKAZE ...

NO WONDER THAT EXPLOSION DIDN'T EVEN PHASE IT.

THE GAUNA HAS FORMED A MULTI-LAYER ARMOR WITH ITS PLACENTA AND SHELL!!

CORE

GAUNA

SHELL

PLACENTA

IT'S INSANELY STRONG... EVEN THIS NEW DRIVE ASSEMBLY IS NO MATCH FOR IT!

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CHKK!

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KRIK

GRIKK

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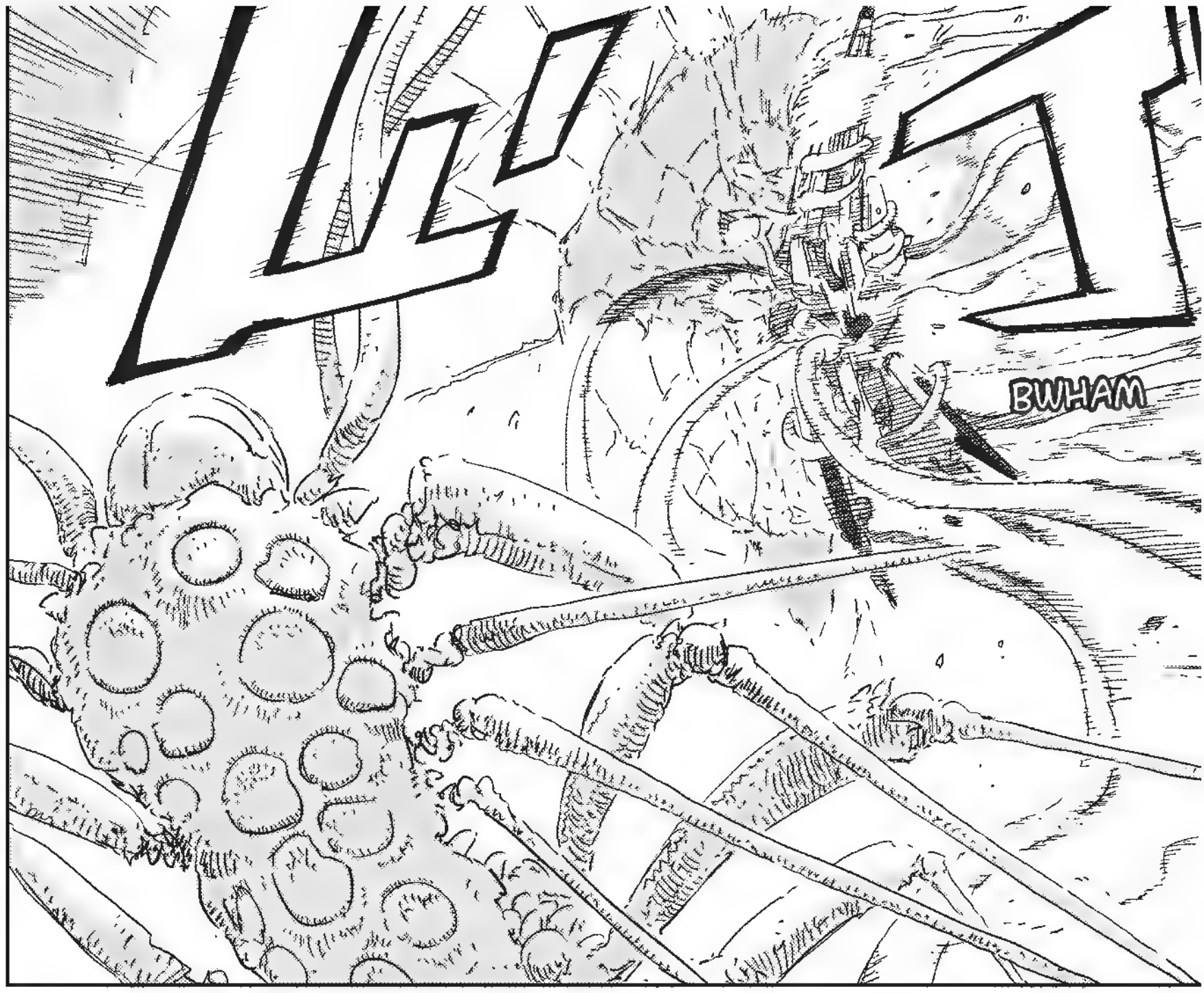
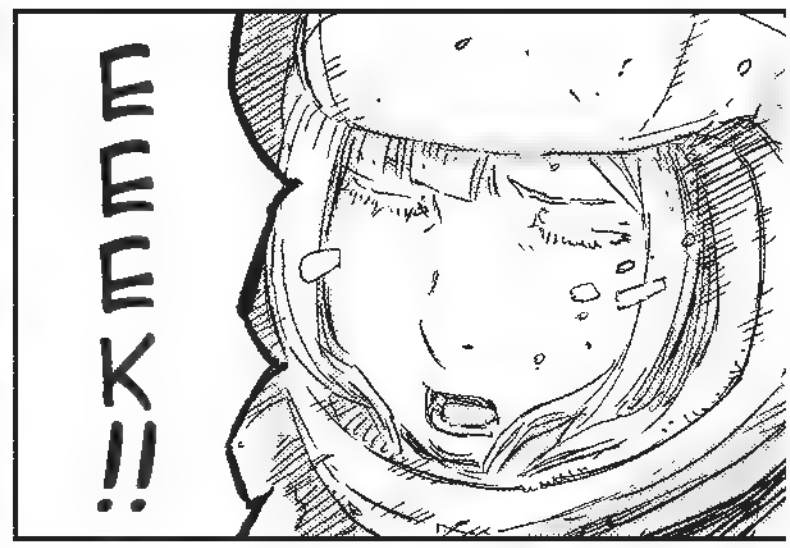

BWHAM

KSHANK
KSHANK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NEW SYNTHETIC KABI BLADES FIRE ALL
CLIK
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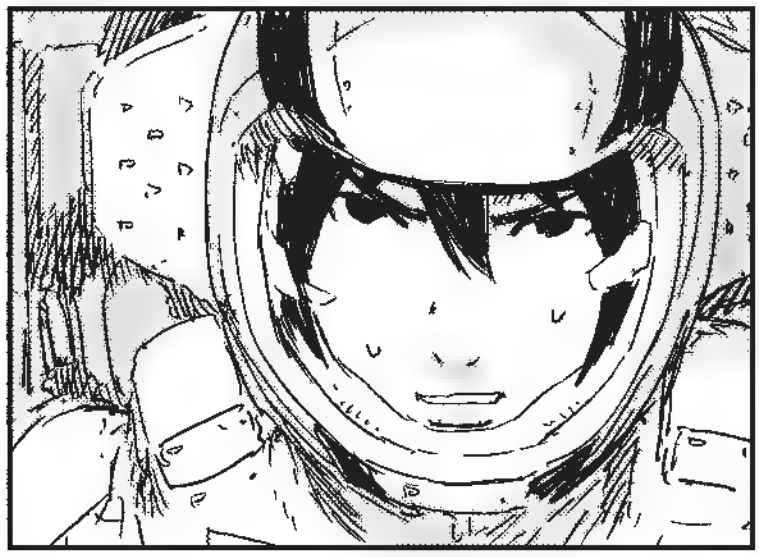
BOOM
VWIP

BAGOOM



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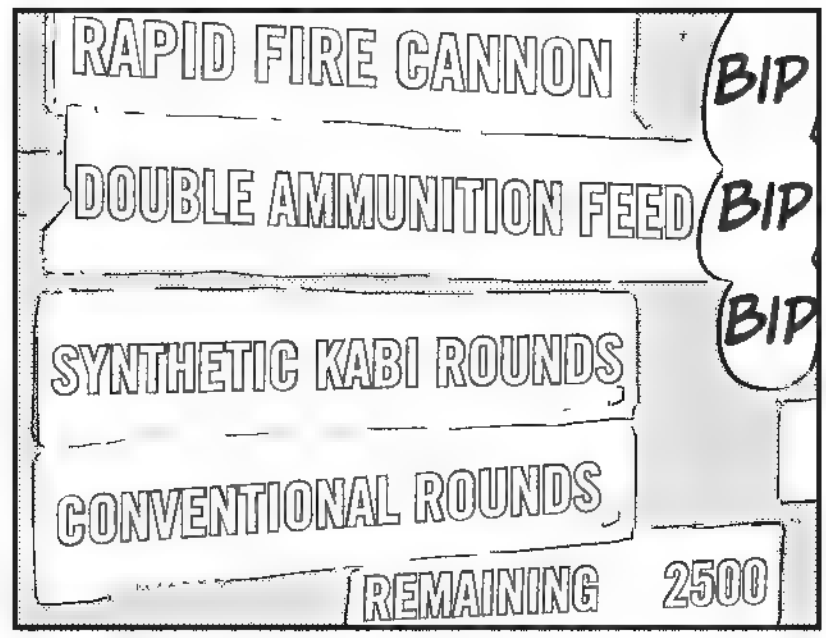
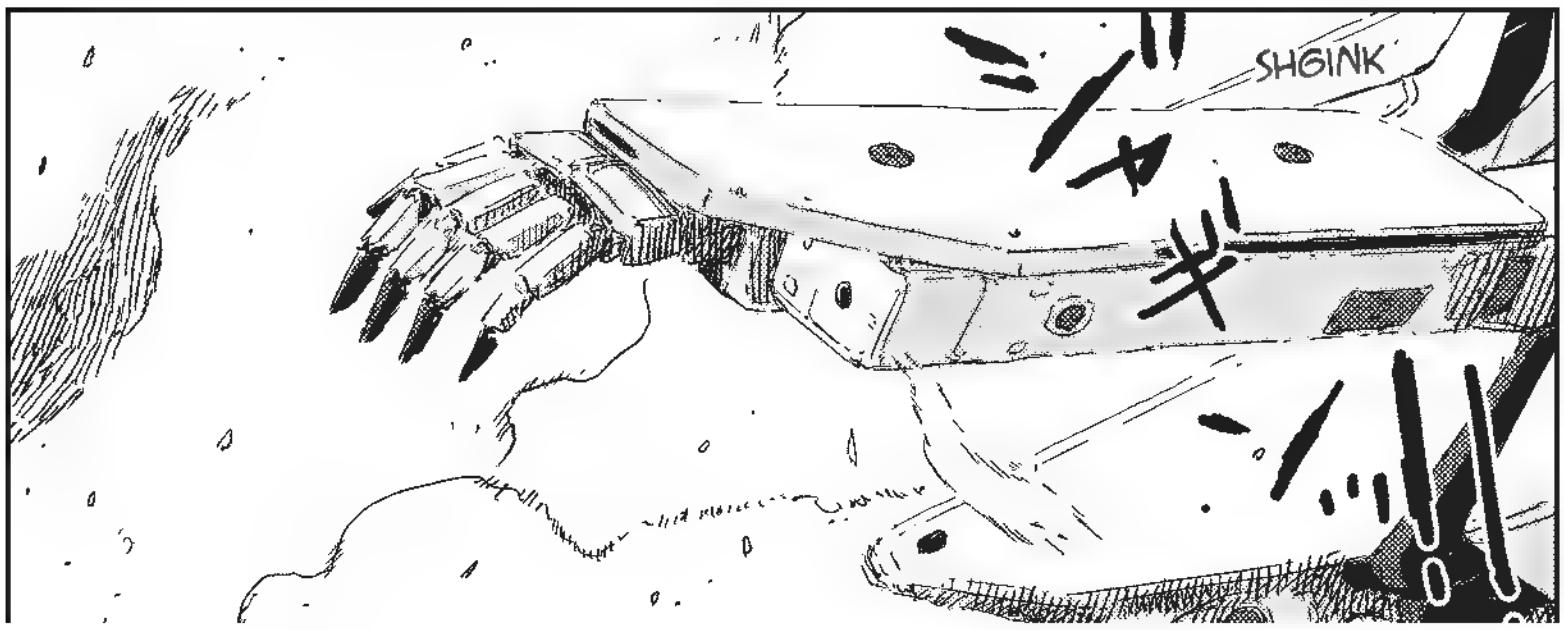

RAPID FIRE CANNON
BIP
DOUBLE AMMUNITION FEED
BIP
SYNTHETIC KABI ROUNDS
BIP
CONVENTIONAL ROUNDS
REMAINING 2500


SHOINK

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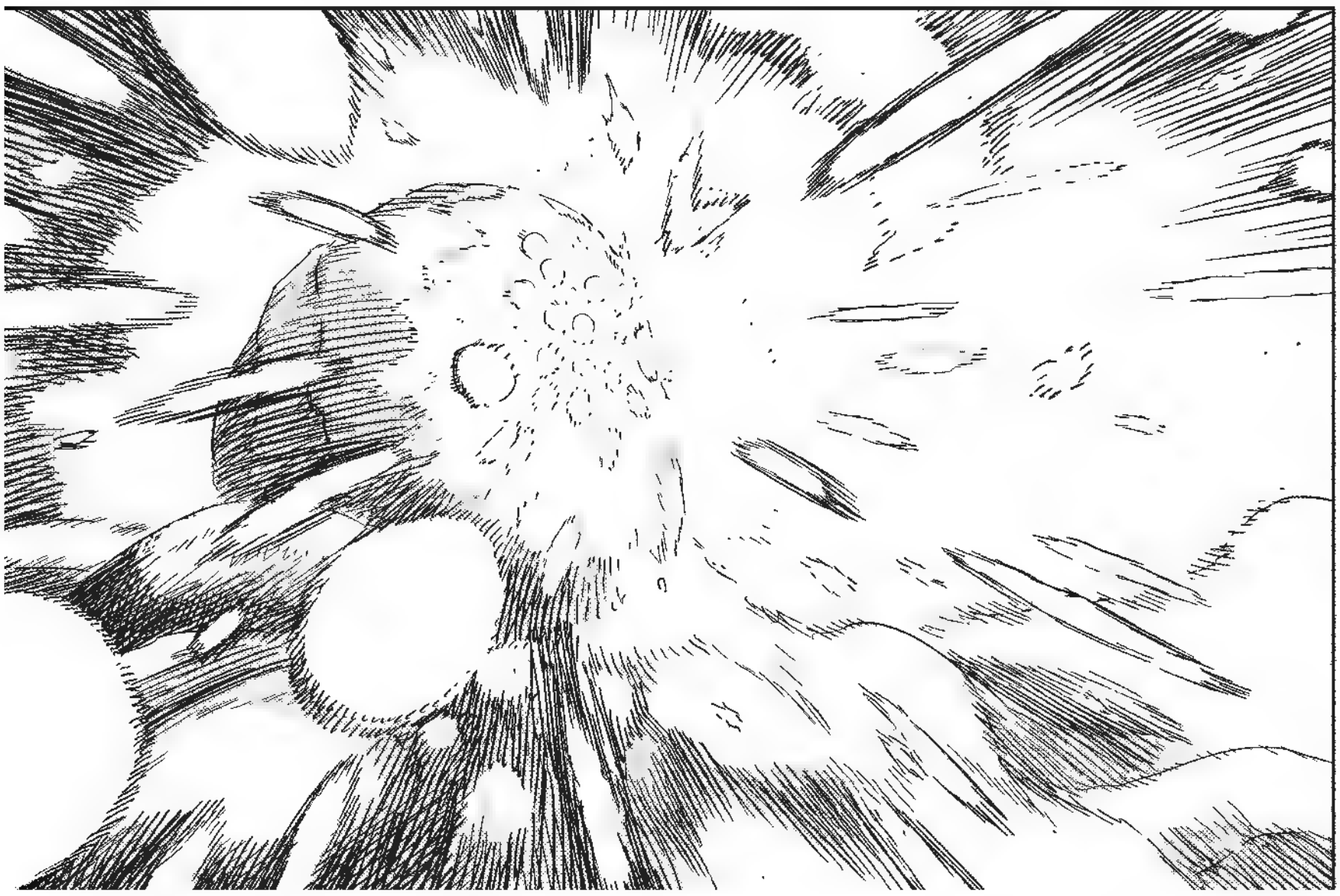

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BSHHF

メシ!!
KRUKK

PLANETOID HAS DIVERTED FROM COLLISION COURSE WITH THE SIDONIA!

BEOOM

TANIKAZE UNIT HAS DESTROYED THE GAUNA !!

DISINTE-GRATION INTO FOAM STATE CON-FIRMED !!

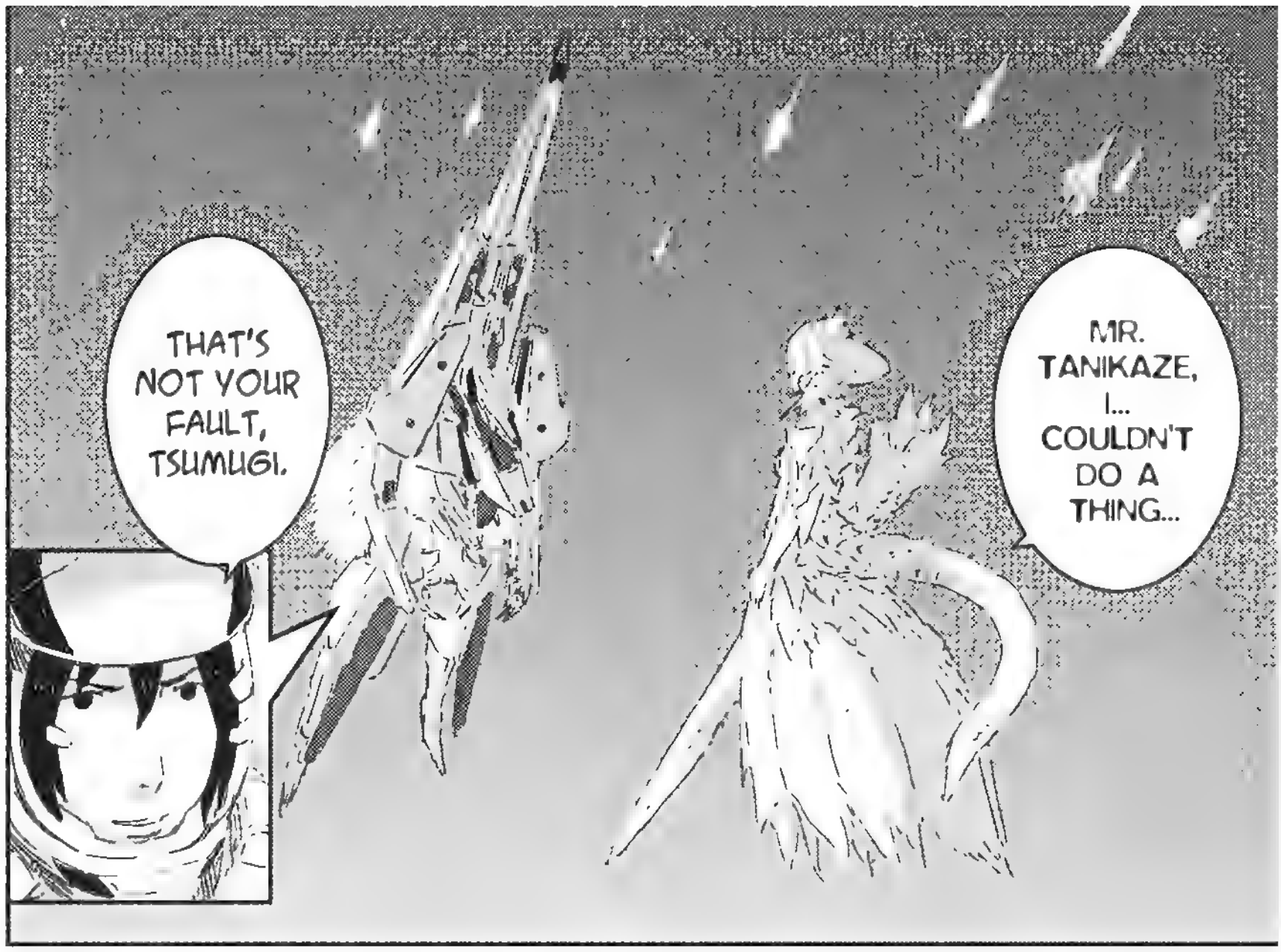
MS. HASHINE, ARE YOU HURT?

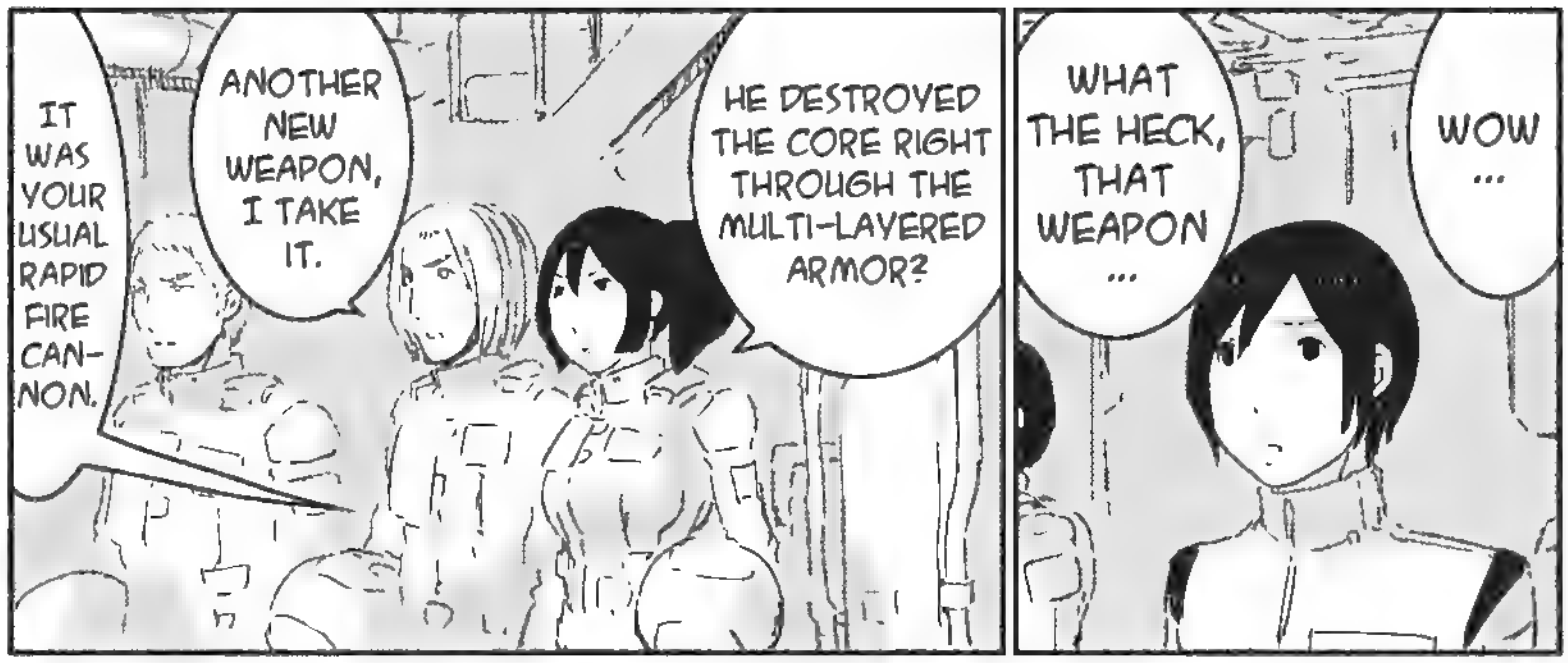
HASHINE ...

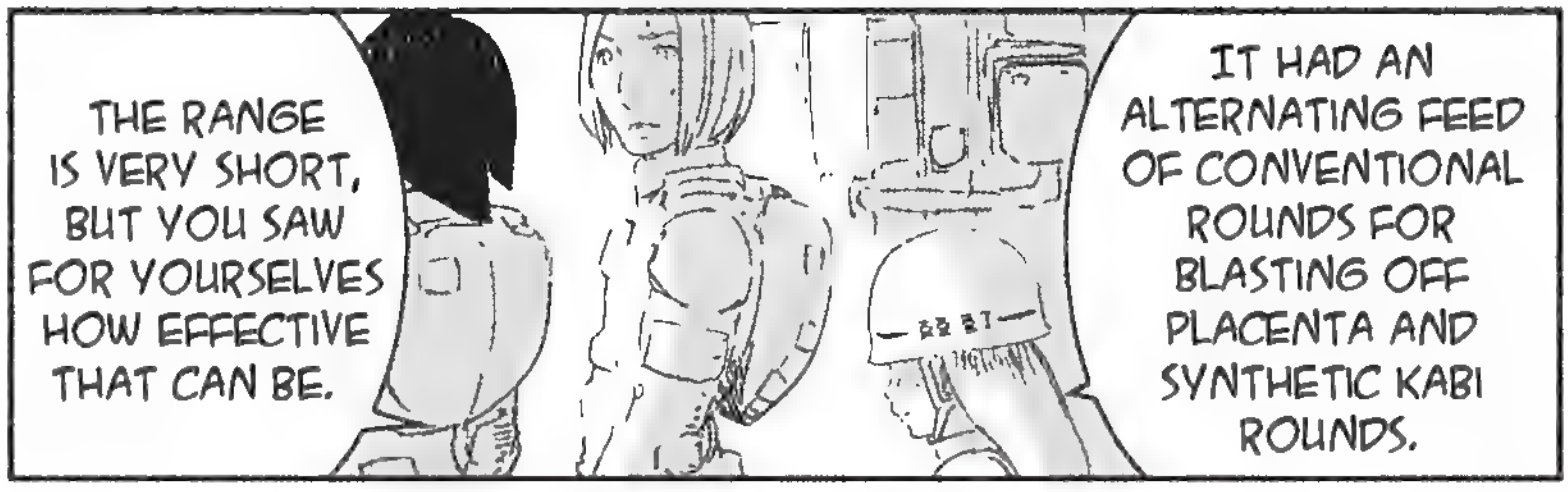
I'M GOING HOME ALIVE ...

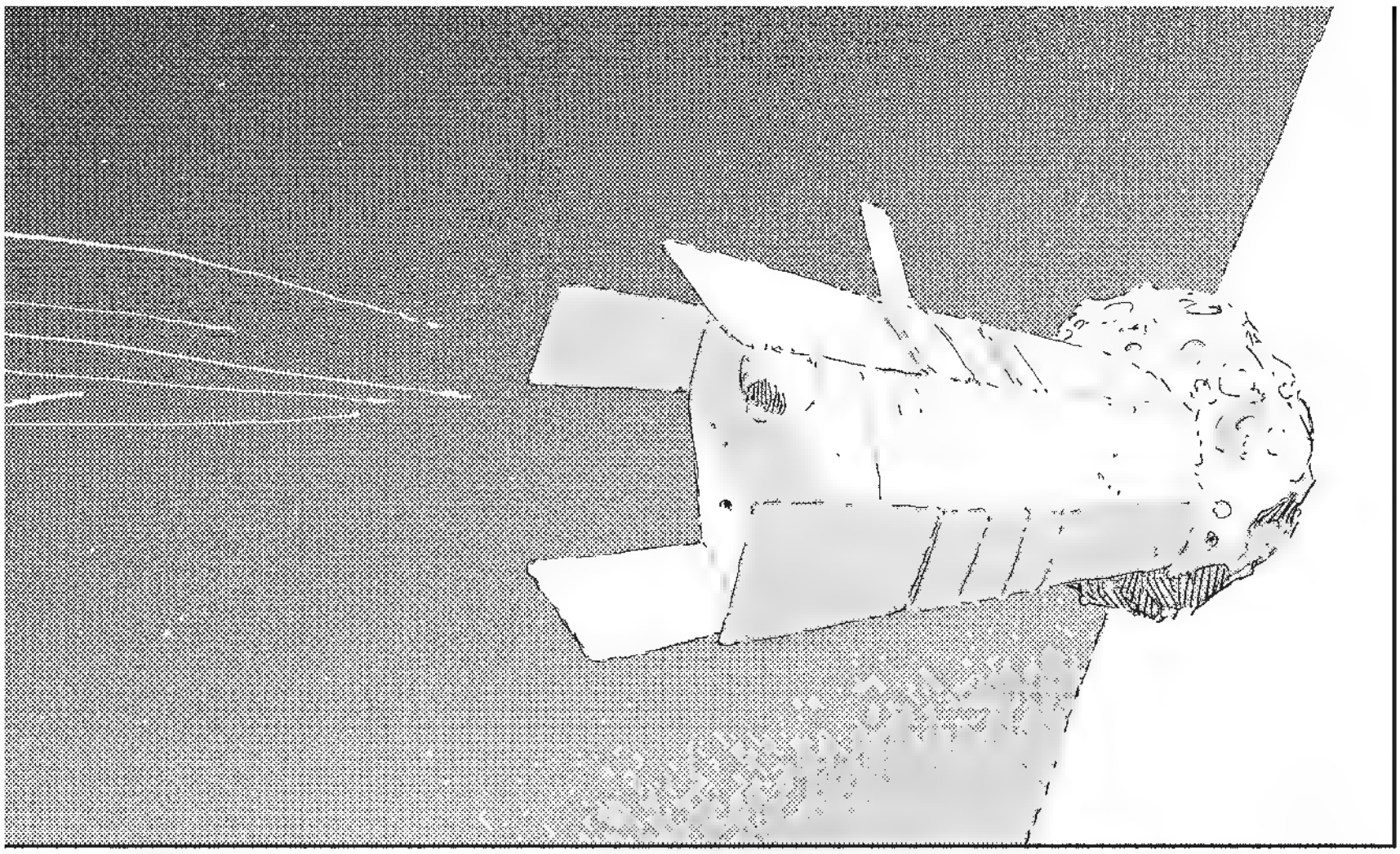
N-NO !

I'M FINE !


THAT'S NOT YOUR FAULT, TSUMUGI.
MR. TANIKAZE, I... COULDN'T DO A THING...


IT WAS YOUR USUAL RAPID FIRE CAN-NON.
ANOTHER NEW WEAPON, I TAKE IT.
HE DESTROYED THE CORE RIGHT THROUGH THE MULTI-LAYERED ARMOR?
WHAT THE HECK, THAT WEAPON ...
WOW ...


THE RANGE IS VERY SHORT, BUT YOU SAW FOR YOURSELVES HOW EFFECTIVE THAT CAN BE.
IT HAD AN ALTERNATING FEED OF CONVENTIONAL ROUNDS FOR BLASTING OFF PLACENTA AND SYNTHETIC KABI ROUNDS.



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GRMM
SERI-OUSLY ?!
ALMOST ALL THE ANTI-GAUNA BLADES ARE GONE...
FSHHH

WHOLE HOG?!
TANI-KAZE!!
ACK !

I-
I'M
SORRY
!

SHAVE
SHAVE
SHAVE
PRESS

DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MUCH WORK IT TOOK TO PUT THAT TOGETHER ?!

YOWOW
いたたたたた！

BULGE

I'M NOT SURE I LIKE THAT LADY!!

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, MR. TANIKAZE ?!!

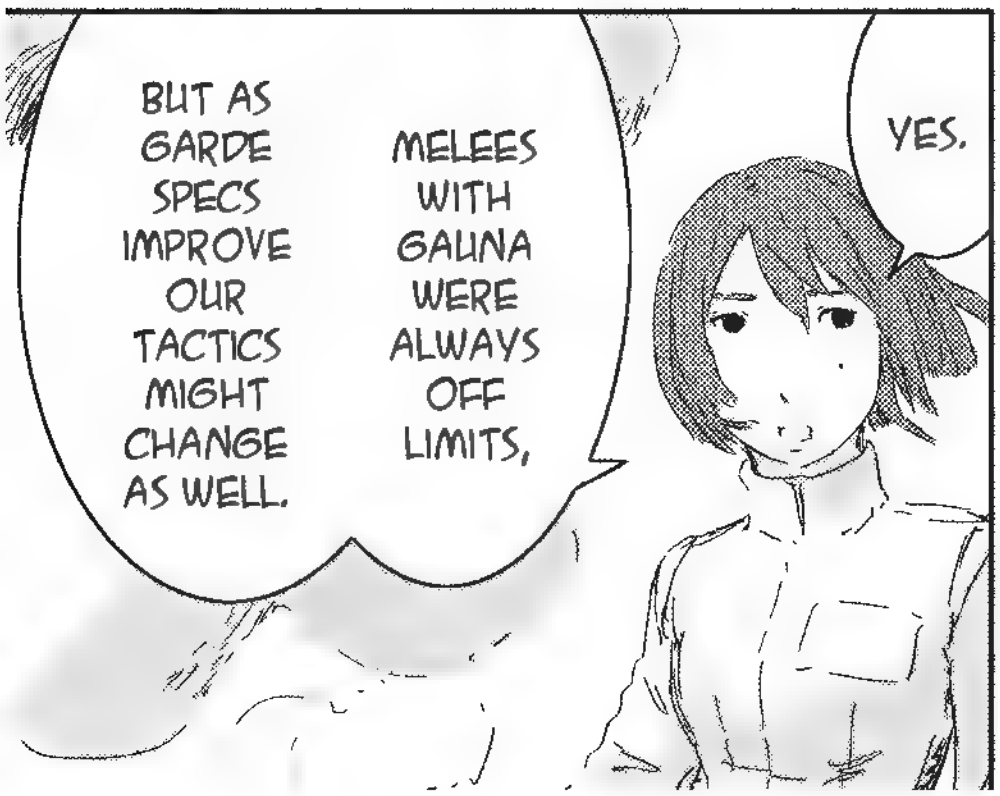
STAGGER

YUP... CALLS TO MIND AN OLD ACE.

TANIKAZE'S BECOME A REAL VETERAN, HUH...

THE NEW UNIT WAS AMAZING.
HERE, RICE BALLS, NAGATE!
THANK YOU!

GOOD WORK TODAY, EVERY-ONE!
WELL DONE!
WELL DONE.


YES.
BUT AS GARDE SPECS IMPROVE OUR TACTICS MIGHT CHANGE AS WELL.
MELEES WITH GALINA WERE ALWAYS OFF LIMITS,

A SINGLE GALINA COULD EASILY BECOME MORE THAN A HANDFUL DEPENDING ON THE SITUATION.

SOMEHOW I BEAT IT THIS TIME, BUT NO MATTER HOW GOOD THE UNIT,

AND THERE'S NO WAY TO PREDICT WHAT A GALINA IS GOING TO DO NEXT.

I THOUGHT THAT TOO, BUT A GARDE'S STILL NO MATCH WHEN ONE OF THOSE TENTACLES HAS IT,

WHAT ARE THE REST OF US SUPPOSED TO DO?

HEY... NAGATE, IF YOU'RE GONNA BE LIKE THAT,

IT DOESN'T CHANGE THE FACT THAT CLOSE COMBAT IS DEADLY.

Y-YOU TWO?!

MR. TANIKAZE!

SOMEONE'S COMING.

IN ANY CASE, YOU SURE YOU'RE FINE SO SOON?

OH! DON'T MENTION IT.

HAMAGATA. THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!

I'M HASHINE! THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TODAY!

HUH ?!

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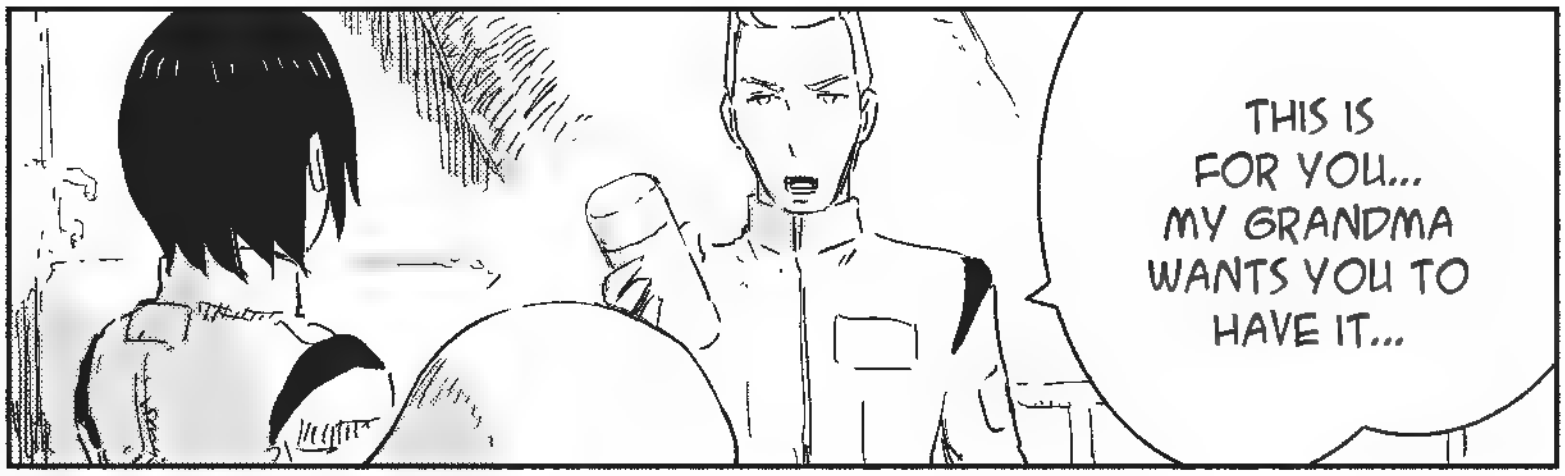
TWITCH

IT'S WELL KNOWN AMONG THE PILOT CREW THAT YOU'RE LIVING WITH MR. TANIKAZE AND COMPANY.

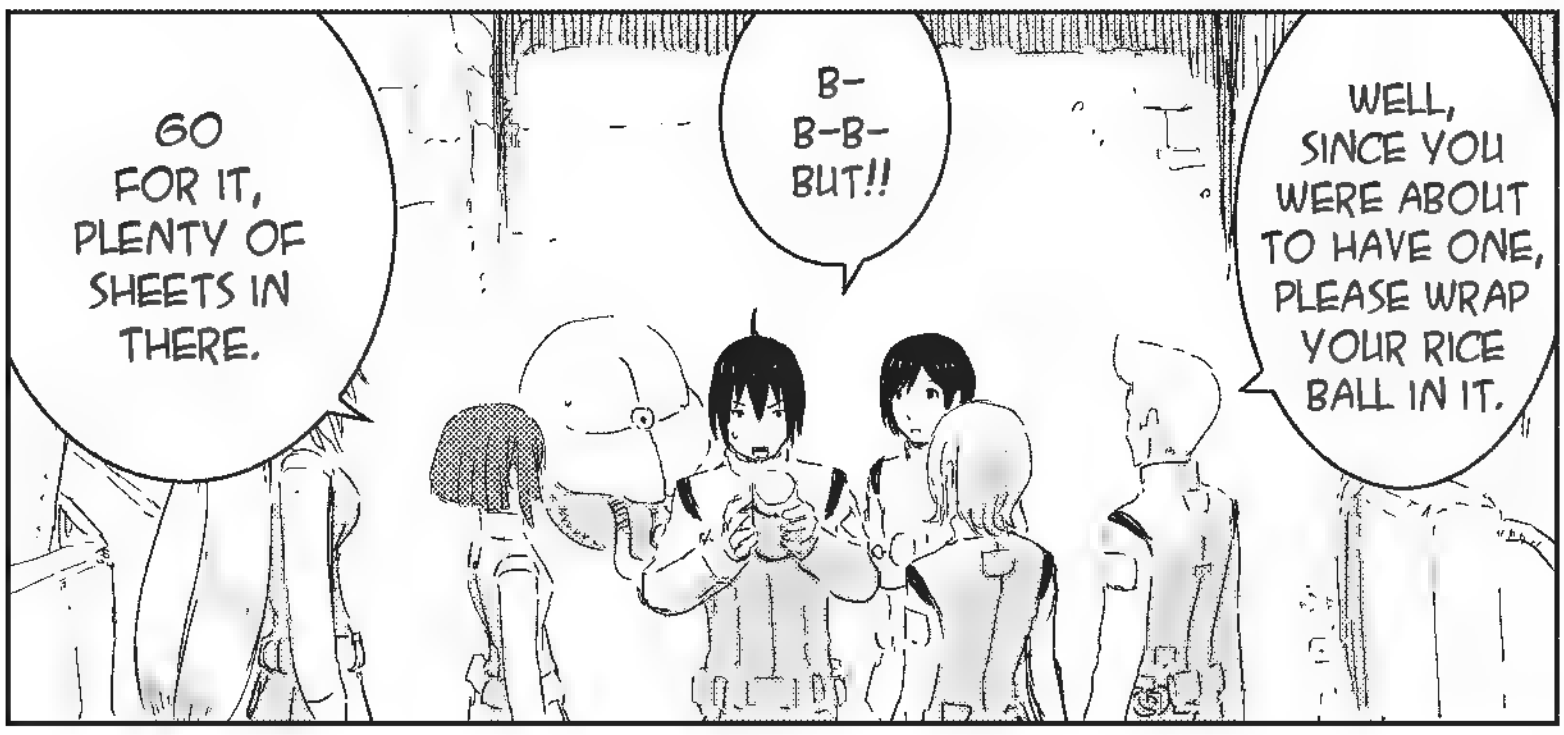
YOU DON'T HAVE TO HIDE, TSUMUGI.

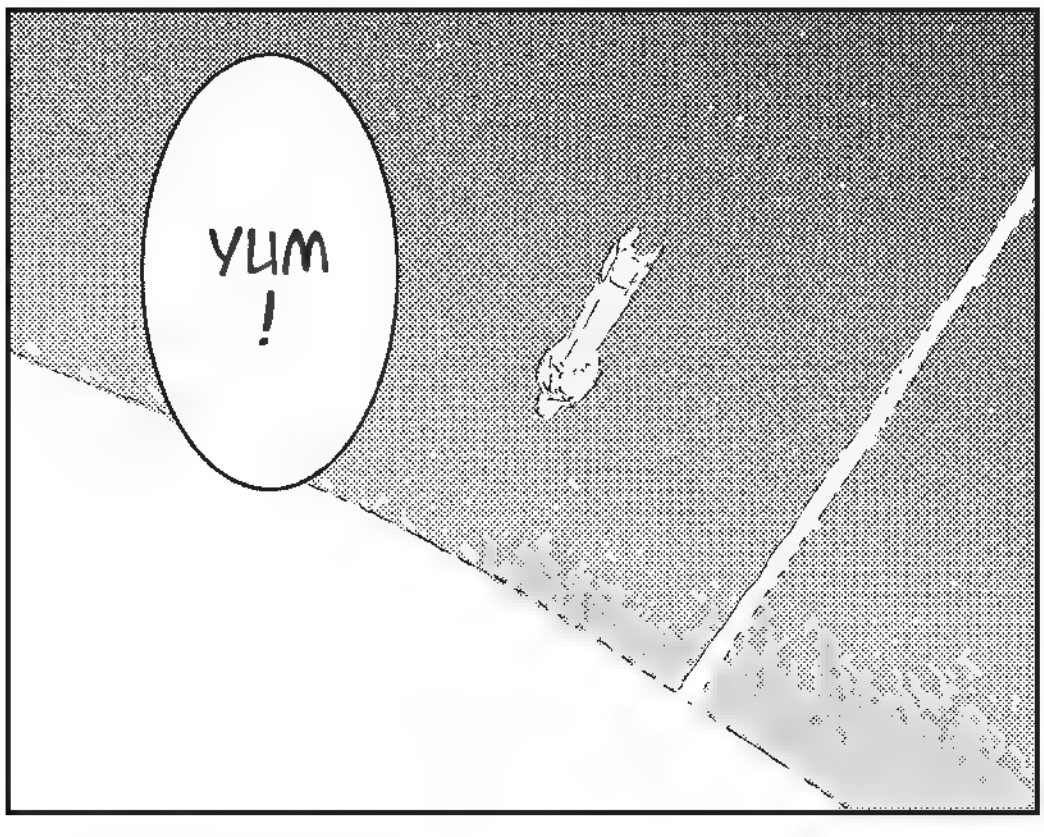

THIS IS FOR YOU... MY GRANDMA WANTS YOU TO HAVE IT...

I-IT'S DRIED SEAWEED! YOU MEAN IT?!
天然海苔

I'VE NEVER EATEN ANYTHING BUT CULTURES.
YEAH!

THEY HAVEN'T MADE ANY AFTER WE LOST OUR FACILITY IN THE FOURTH ANTI-GAUNA WAR...
MR. TANIKAZE! THAT'S NATURAL SEAWEED!
WHA?





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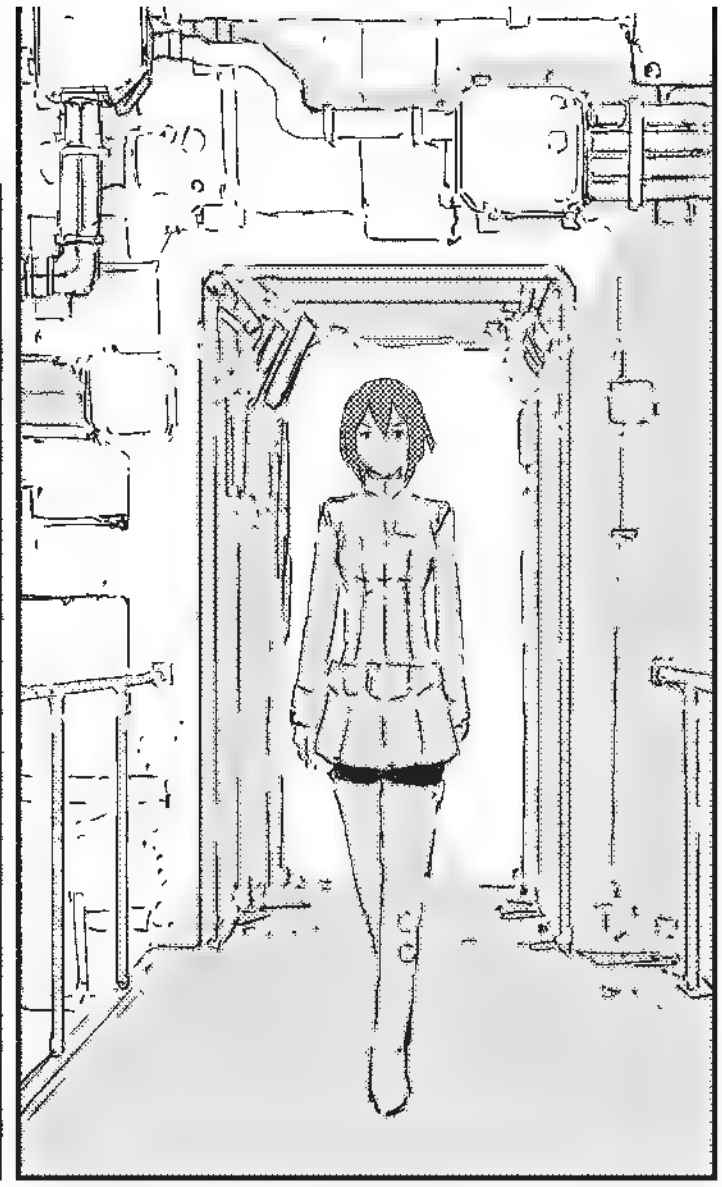
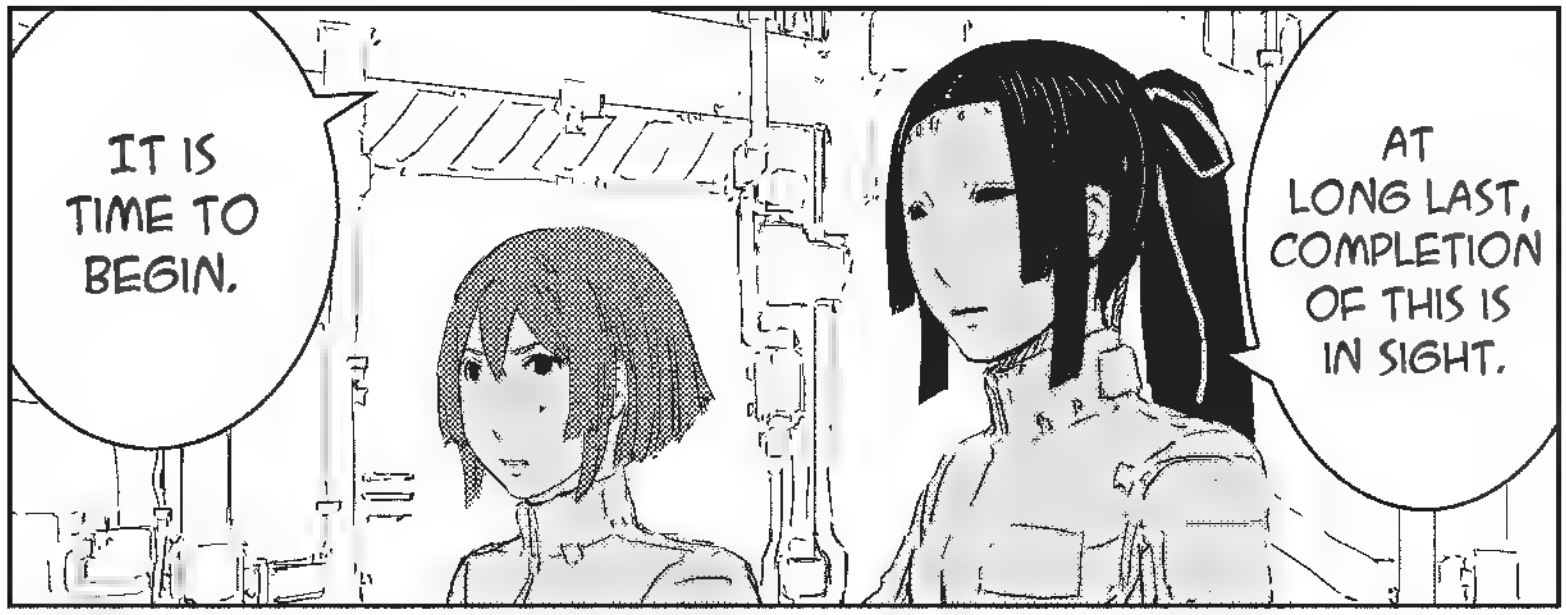
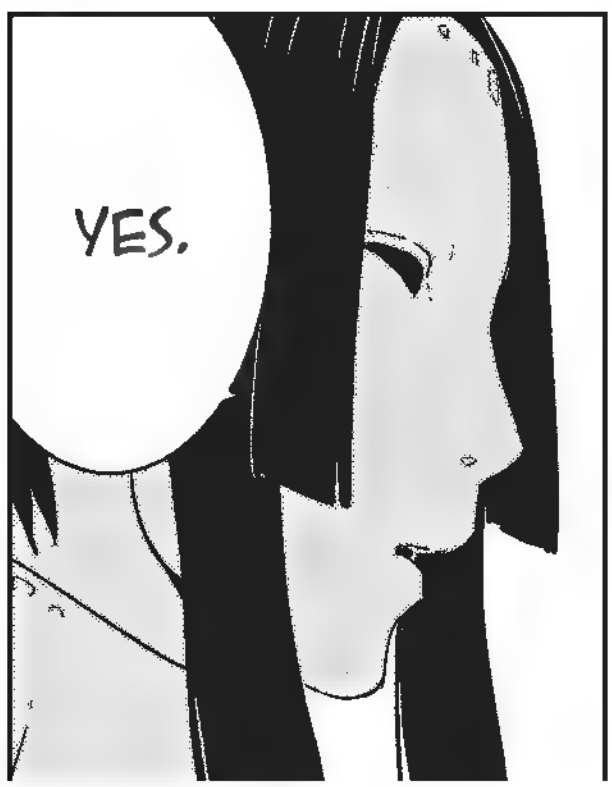
Chapter 63: Tsumugi Shiraui's Dream

One Hundred Sights of Sidonia Part Forty-Eight: Unknown

YOU CALLED FOR ME, CAPTAIN ?




IT IS TIME TO BEGIN.
AT LONG LAST, COMPLETION OF THIS IS IN SIGHT.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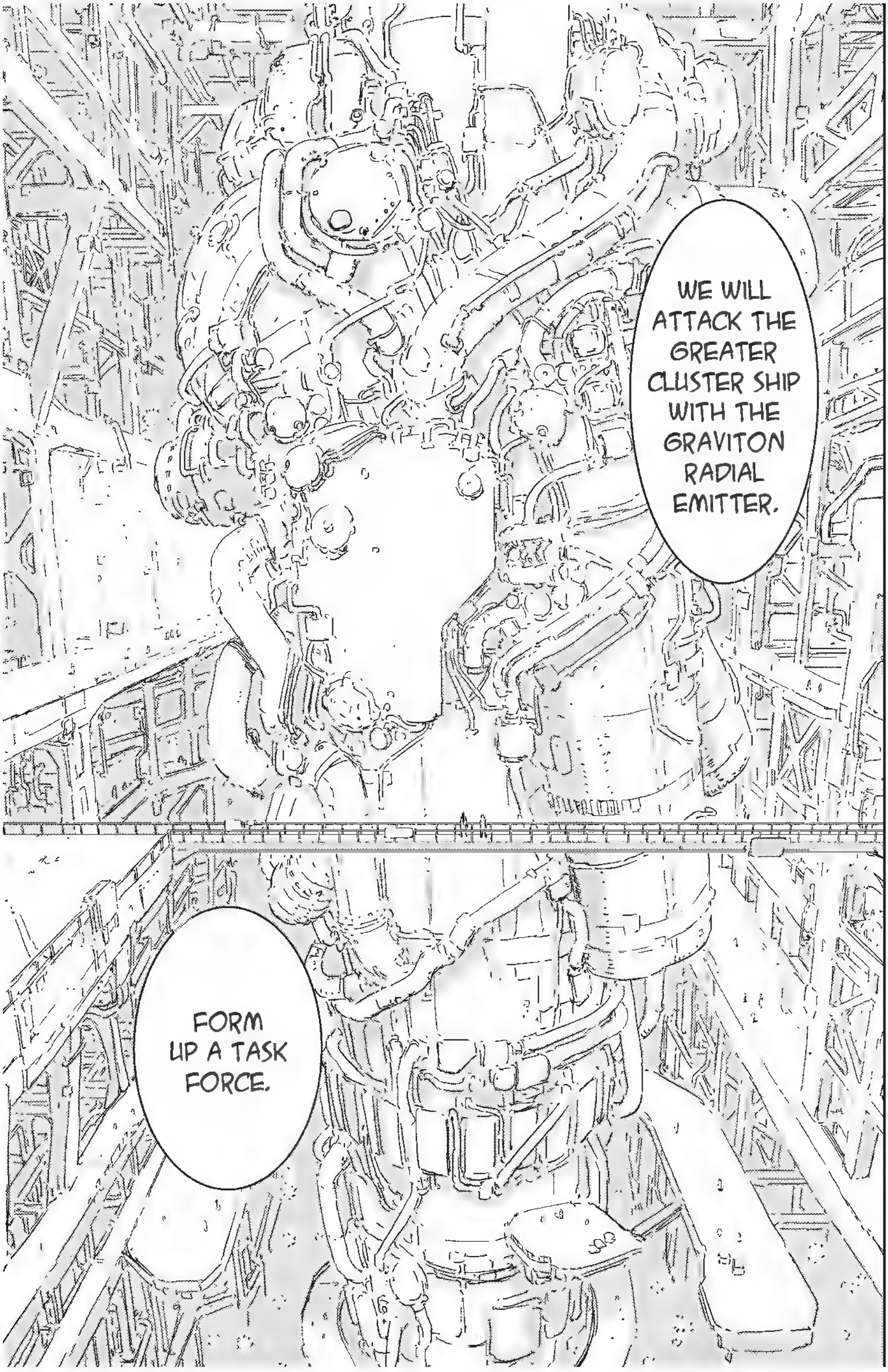
...THE FULL-SCALE OFFENSIVE ?


WE WILL ATTACK THE GREATER CLUSTER SHIP WITH THE GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER.
FORM UP A TASK FORCE.

PUTTING IT TO GOOD USE WILL REQUIRE CAREFUL PREPARA-TIONS.

ITS OVERLY COMPLEX BUILD, ITS SIZE, ITS ENERGY NEEDS.

WELL, WE HAVE SOMEHOW MANAGED TO BUILD IT, BUT THERE ARE STILL PLENTY OF PROBLEMS.

I NEVER IMAGINED WE'D CREATE A WEAPON THAT ACTUALLY PUTS US ON PAR WITH THE GREATER CLUSTER SHIP ...

THE GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER ...

SO THAT'S WHAT THE SEMI-AUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGAN WAS FOR.

BUT THIS IS THE LIMIT OF TOHA HEAVY INDUSTRIES' CURRENT TECH...

THE FIGURES ARE NO MISTAKE... WE DID ALL WE COULD,

...TEN, HUNDRED, THOUSAND, TEN THOU ... WHA?! I-IS THIS A JOKE?!

THE ENERGY NEEDED FOR ONE SHOT IS...

WE'LL COMMENCE THE OPERATION ONCE THE GREATER CLUSTER SHIP IS ON THE FAR SIDE OF LEM.

FIRST, TO AVOID THE GAUNA TAKING NOTICE OF OUR MOVEMENTS,

INCLUDING THE ONES WE SENT OUT LATER, WE HAVE A TOTAL OF EIGHT SEMIAUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGANS IN ORBIT AROUND LEM.

YES.

GREATER CLUSTER SHIP

SIX

OBSERVATION FLEET

SEVEN

LEM

NUMBER TWO ATTACK FLEET

SEMIAUTONOMOUS CONVERSION ORGANS

NUMBER ONE ATTACK FLEET

NINE

SIDONIA

WE HAVE TWO GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTERS, SO THE ATTACK FLEET WILL CONSIST OF TWO FORCES.

IN THE FIRST STAGE OF THE OPERATION, THE ATTACK FLEET WILL RECOVER AT LEAST ONE CONVERTER PER FORCE.

IN THE FINAL STAGE, WE WILL EMPLOY THE GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTERS.

IN THE SECOND STAGE, AN OBSERVATION FLEET SENT TO HIDE IN PLANET SIX WILL USE THE SENSORY RANGE AMPLIFICATION APPARATUS IN SHINATOSE'S SERIES 19 TO SCAN FOR THE POSITION OF THE GREATER CLUSTER SHIP'S MAIN CORE.

ONE CONVERSION ORGAN AT MAXIMUM CAPACITY WILL JUST SUFFICE TO TARGET IT.

THE GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER'S RANGE OF FIRE HINGES ON THE VOLUME OF ENERGY AVAILABLE.

CAN WE TARGET IT FROM LEM?!

THAT'S THE OVERALL SUMMARY.

ALL GARDES, EXCEPT FOR THE BAREST MINIMUM TO DEFEND SIDONIA, WILL ALSO BE MOBILIZED.

FOR THIS OPERATION, WE PLAN TO FORM FORCES OF UNPRECEDENTED SCALE MOBILIZING ALL MIZUKI-CLASS VESSELS.

SHOULDN'T WE WAIT UNTIL WE'VE BEEFED UP OUR ARSENAL A LITTLE MORE?

EVEN SO, IF THE GREATER CLUSTER SHIP STARTS TO DEPLOY GAUNA FOR REAL, WE WON'T HOLD A CANDLE TO THEM IN TERMS OF TROOP STRENGTH.

SO IT'S PRETTY MUCH OUR ENTIRE MILITARY CAPACITY ...

THE GREATER CLUSTER SHIP'S MAIN CORE EVIDENTLY PRODUCES GAUNA CORES.

ACCORDING TO OUR LATEST SURVEILLANCE ...

THE GREATER CLUSTER SHIP IS GROWING.

I SEE, FIGHTING IS OUR ONLY CHANCE.

SO WE HAVE TO DO IT...

NO WAY ...

WHAT ?!

I'M HOME!

TSUMUGI, CAN I COME IN?

JUST GETTING BACK NOW? PRETTY LATE.
YEAH. I HAD SOME ERRANDS.

YES...
NO MATTER HOW MUCH I LOOK AT IT, I NEVER GET TIRED OF IT.

TAKING IN THE NIGHT VIEW OF THE RESIDENTIAL TOWER AGAIN?

...
...

TSUMUGI, I WANT YOU TO SPEND THE DAY WITH ME TOMORROW.

HUH ?!

WH- WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

I'M NOT TELLING. YOU'LL SEE TOMORROW.

CHATTER

CHATTER

D-DOZODAZODOZO

ALL CREW IN THE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT, THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND UNDER-STANDING.

—HAS BEEN CLEARED.

B-BUT ...

THERE'S NO NEED TO BE SO NERVOUS.

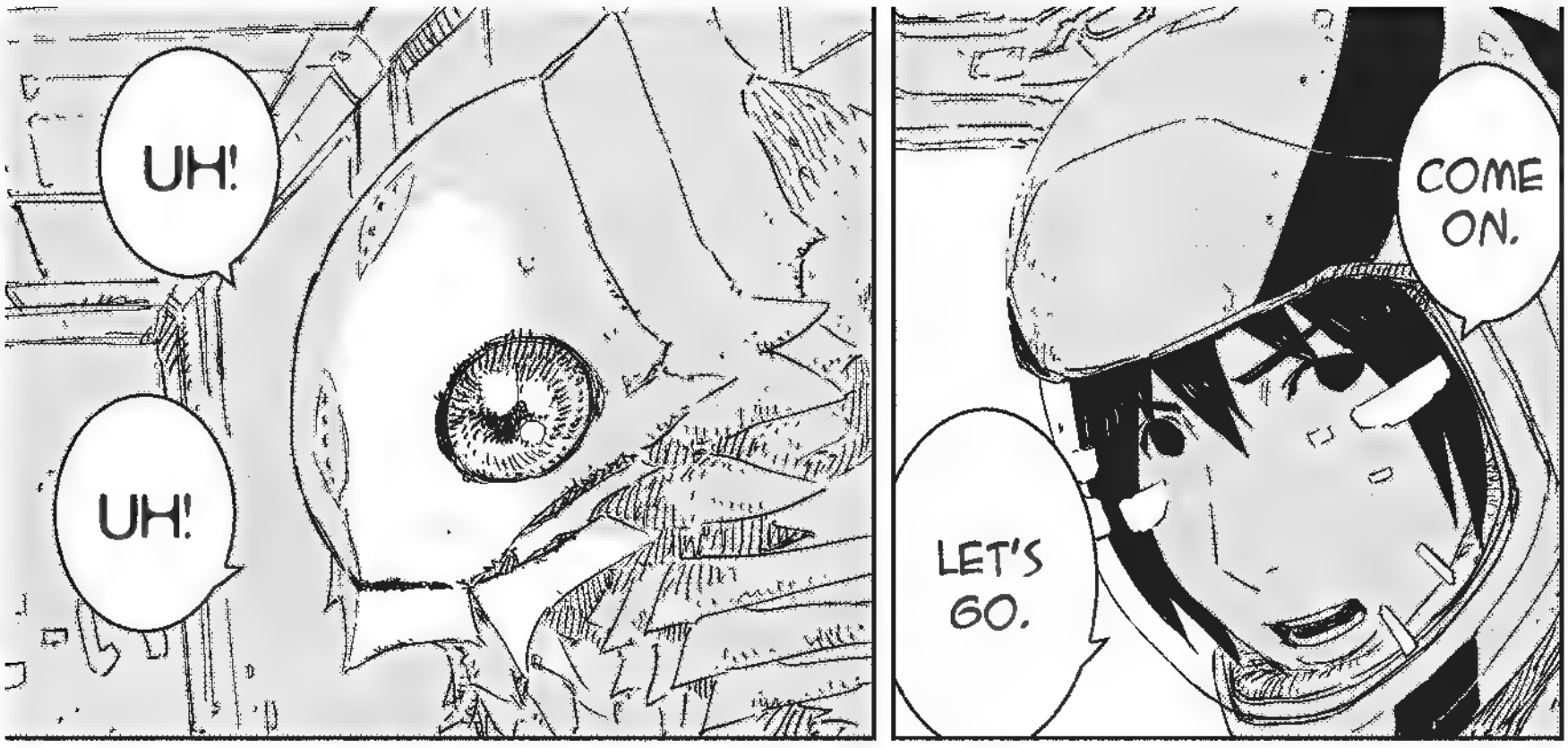
Y-YES ...

ALL RIGHT, IT'S OPEN.

GDONK

I-IT'S SO HIGH UP, I'M SCARED ...

WHEN YOU WERE FINE IN SPACE AND ON NINE?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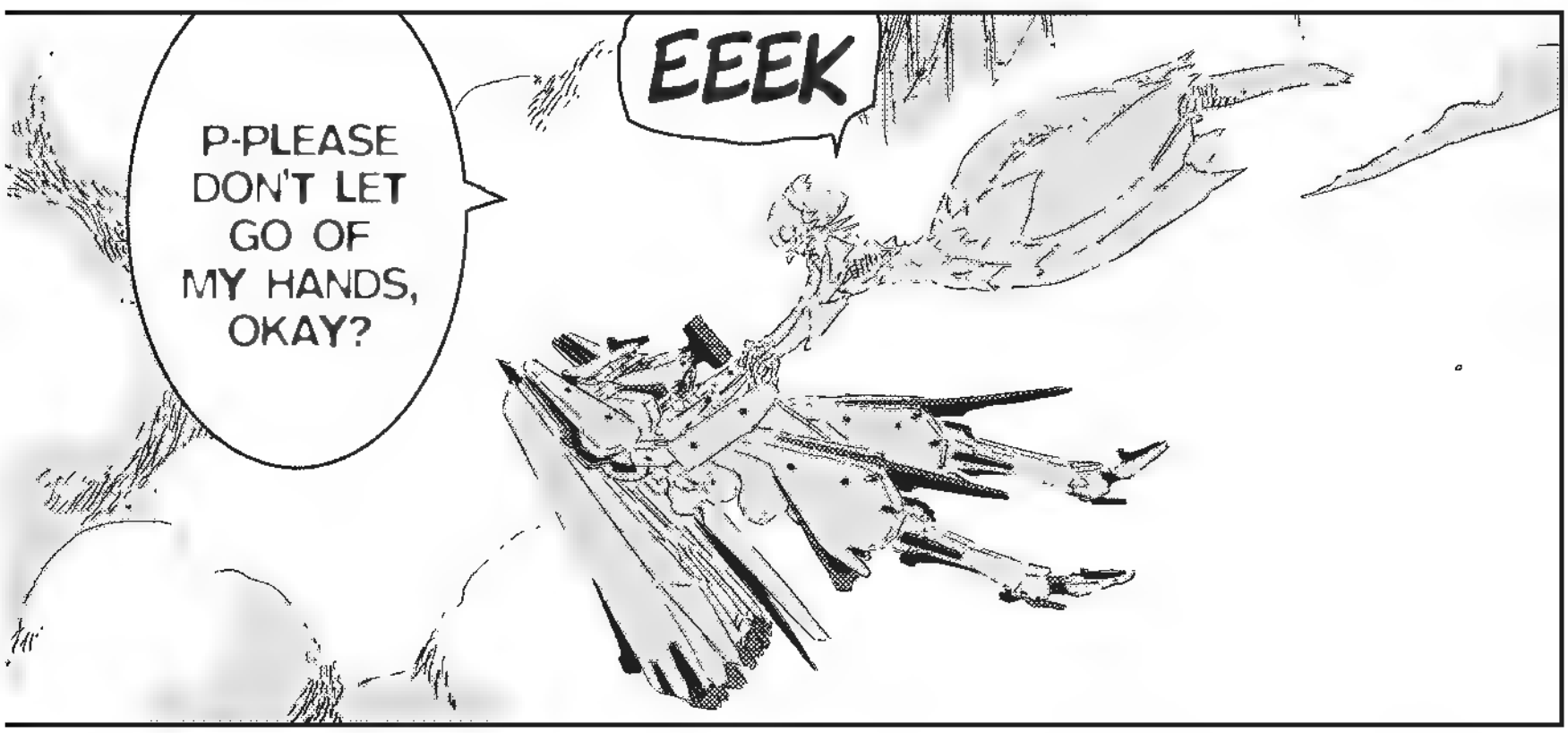
UH!
COME ON.
LET'S GO.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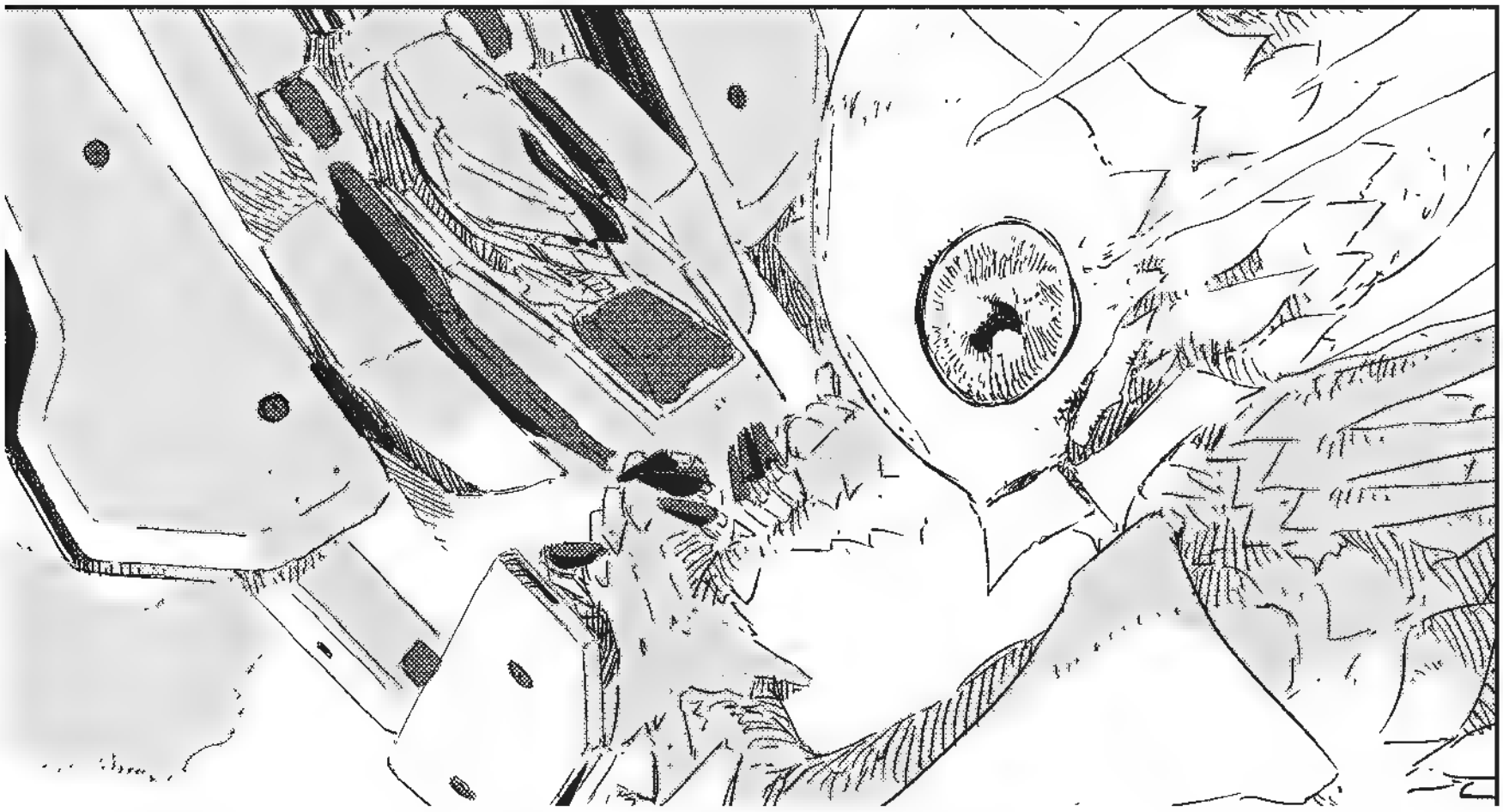
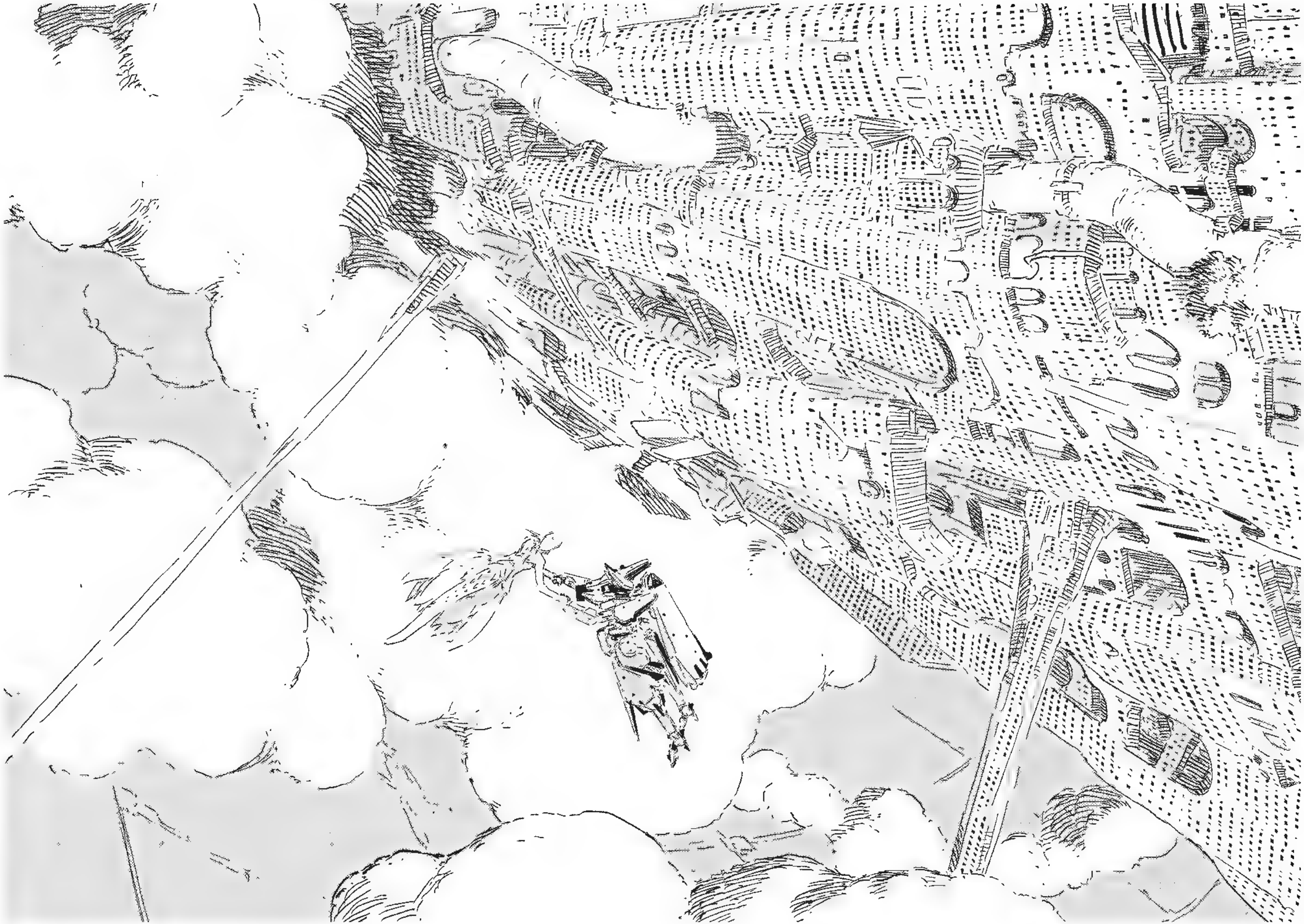
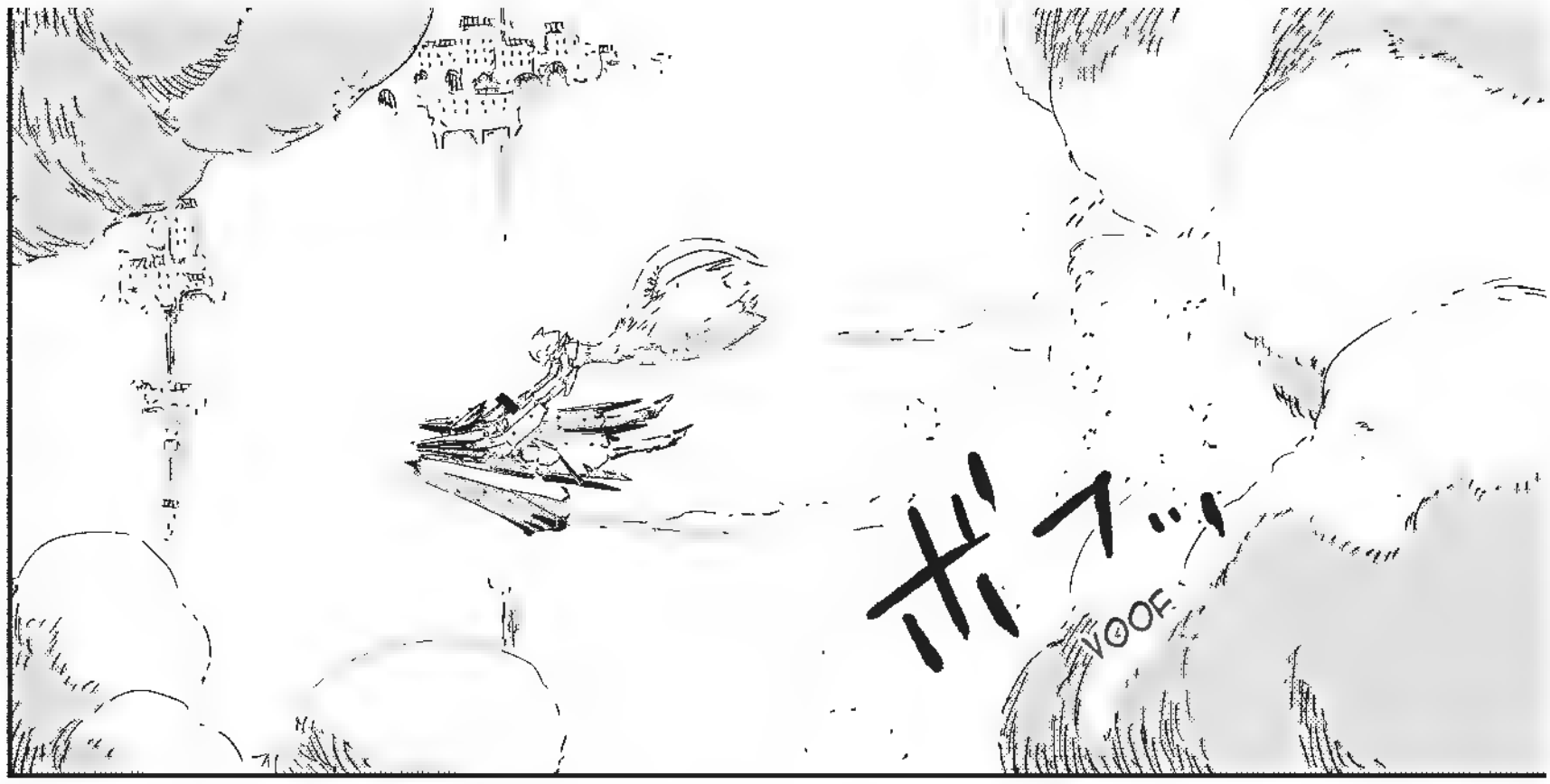
P-PLEASE DON'T LET GO OF MY HANDS, OKAY?



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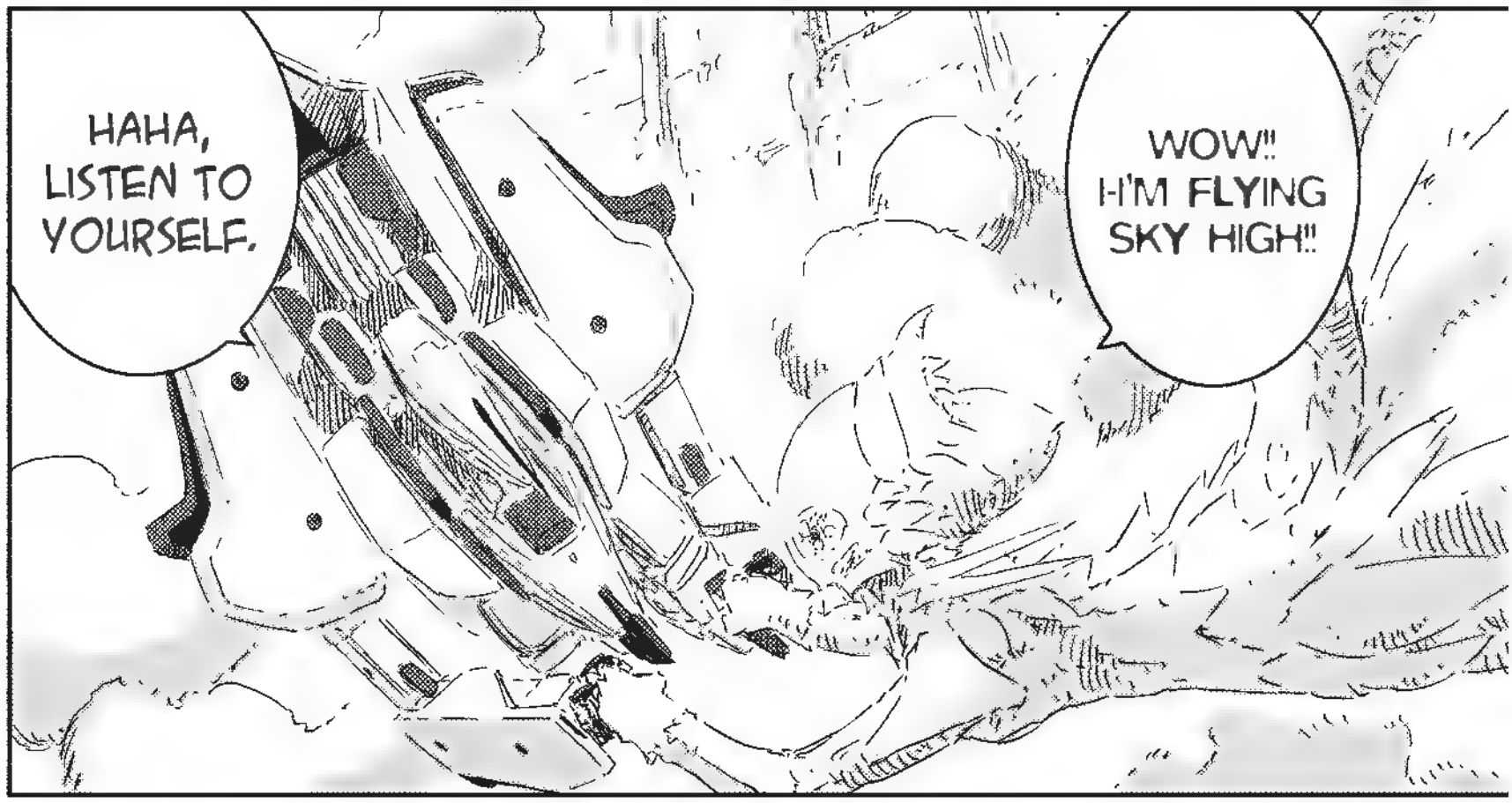
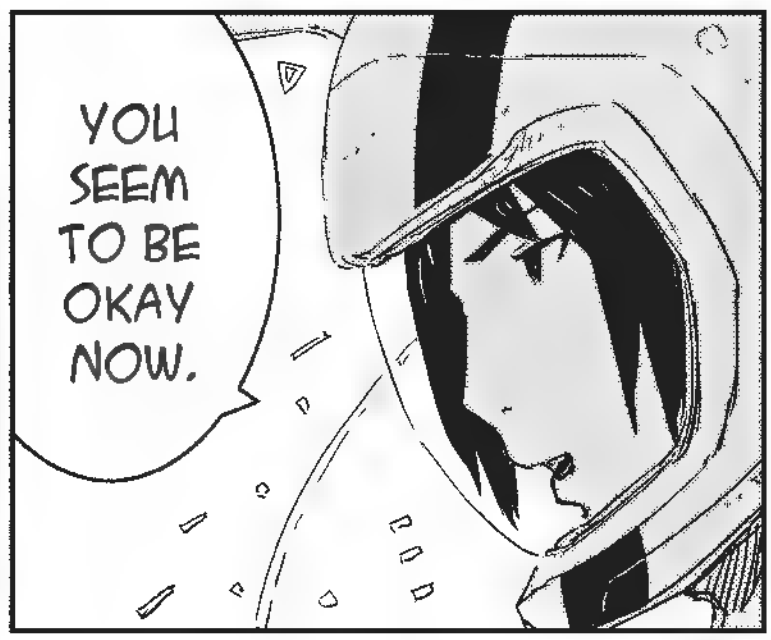
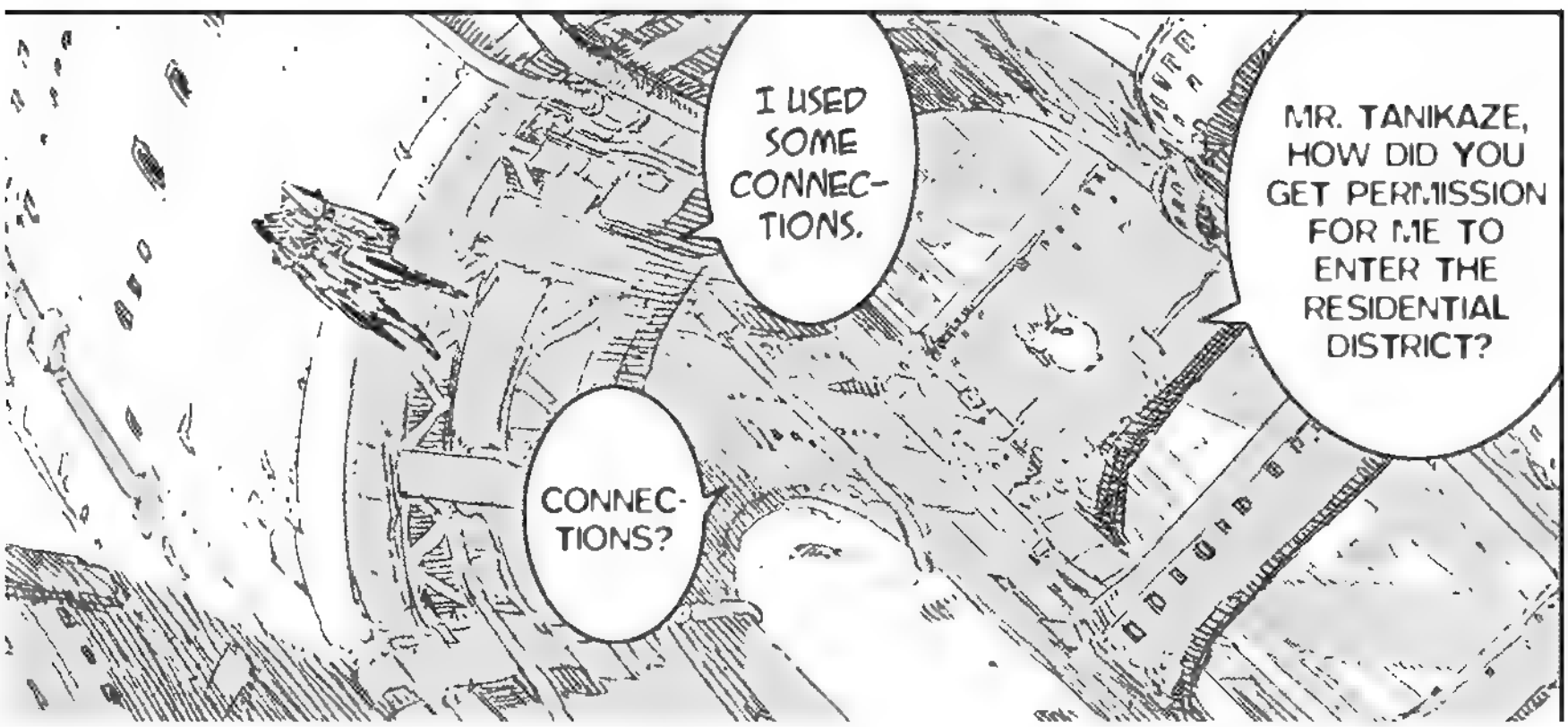
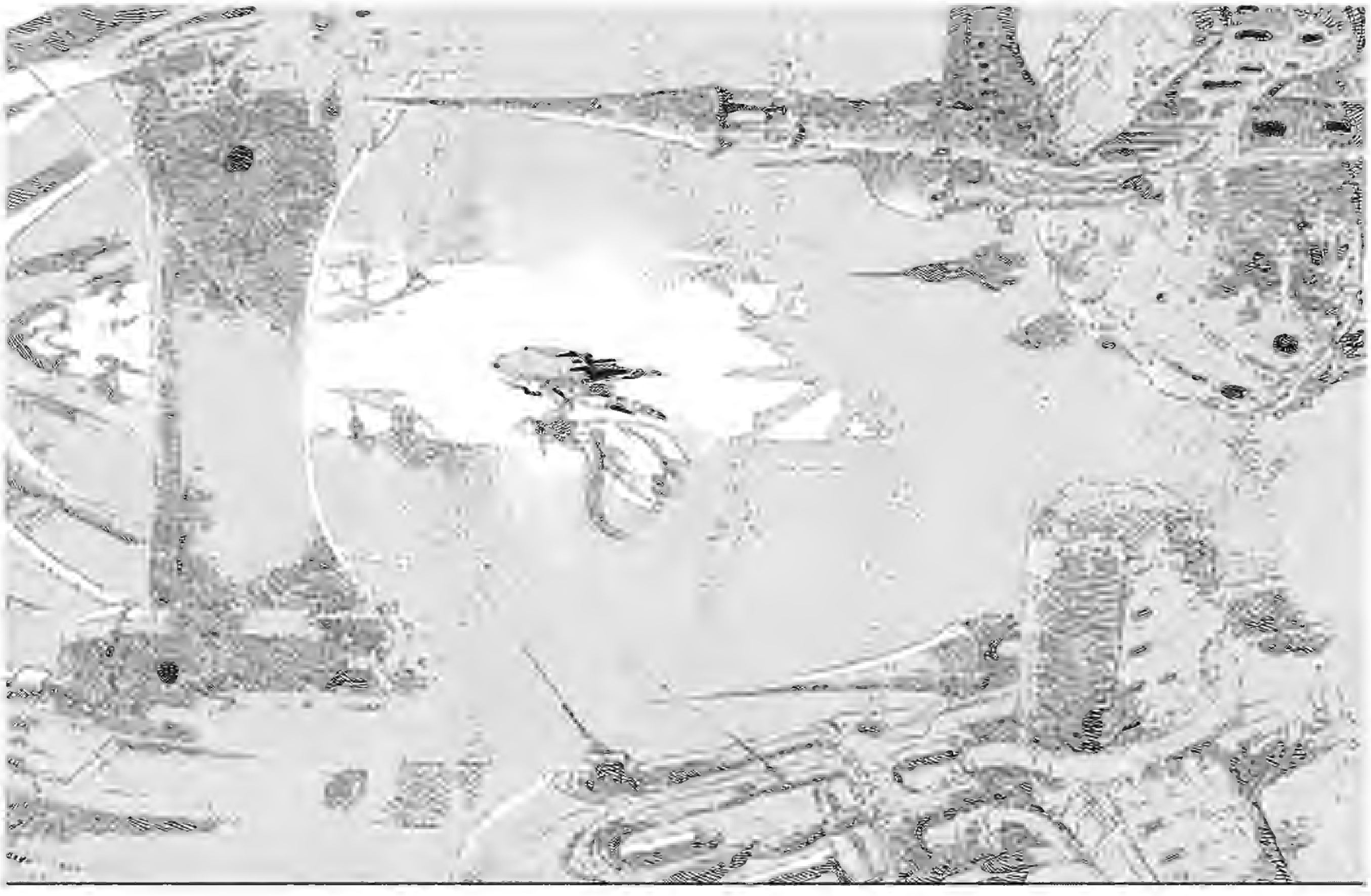

HAHA, LISTEN TO YOURSELF.
WOW!! I-I'M FLYING SKY HIGH!!

... YES.


YOU SEEM TO BE OKAY NOW.

GOOD, NOW LET'S GET RIGHT UP CLOSE TO THE RESIDENTIAL TOWER.
VOOM
WHA ?!


I USED SOME CONNEC- TIONS.
MR. TANIKAZE, HOW DID YOU GET PERMISSION FOR ME TO ENTER THE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT?
CONNEC- TIONS?



DON'T WORRY. IT'S PART OF THE STRUCTURE. IT WON'T SO MUCH AS CRACK.

YOU'LL BREAK THE BUILDING IF YOU SIT THERE!!

WE CAN GET THIS CLOSE TO THE BUILDINGS ?

YUP. THIS IS SIDONIA'S OLDEST DISTRICT. NOBODY LIVES HERE.

LOOKS LIKE WE'VE IMPOSED ON EARLY BIRDS.

!

!

...

SO TAKE YOUR TIME!

WE WERE LEAVING ANYWAY

EH? WHAT IS THIS PLACE

A SEA ...
A SEA YOU SAID YOU WANTED TO TRY SWIMMING, DIDN'T YOU?

YAY
YAY
I CAN'T TOUCH BOTTOM !
ULP
AH
YAHOO!
DOM
SPLASH
H-HEY.

COME ON. HAVE SOME TEA AND TAKE IT EASY.

TANIKAZE AND TSUMUGI ARE ON A DATE IN THE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

REN, EN, WHAT'VE YOU BEEN LOOKING SO GRUMPY ABOUT?

OH... I SEE.

SPLAASH

YAHOOO!

HUH ?

RAIN ?!

HMM... THIS TEA HAS A LOVELY SEASIDE AROMA, EN.

TSU-MUGI ...

DWOOSH

ZAZAW

SURF

YES.

SHALL WE REST A BIT?

YES
...

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE BEEN TOGETHER SO LONG IN A PLACE THAT HAS AIR.

I...NEVER IMAGINED I WOULD GET TO EXPERIENCE SOMETHING LIKE THIS.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TODAY.

MR. TANIKAZE
...

YES
...

AND THAT'S WHY YOU GOT SO SCARED.

THE MOMENT I SAW THE RESIDENTIAL TOWER, I FORGOT THAT I COULD FLY...

TODAY, I...

I WASN'T THINKING... SORRY...

OH!

RIGHT NOW I COULD DIE HAPPY...

BUT IT WAS SO FRESH AND REALLY FUN...

SO LET'S GO TO LOTS MORE PLACES AND DO LOTS MORE THINGS TOGETHER.

BEING WITH YOU IS JUST SO MUCH FUN FOR ME TOO, TSUMUGI, REALLY.

...

YOU'RE SO KIND, MR. TANIKAZE.

THANK YOU. THAT MAKES ME HAPPY.

...
NKKH
...

?!

SOB

TSUMUGI, WHAT'S WRONG ?!

OPERATE RIGHT ARM

BIP

I-IT'S NOTHING!

•SOB•
...
UUH
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TSUMUGI ?

... NKKH ...

WHEN YOU'RE GOING TO ALL THE TROUBLE TO SEE THAT I HAVE A GOOD TIME...

AW... I'M SORRY... NKH...

IT'S ALL RIGHT. ...

I'M NOT... SCARED AT ALL... OF DYING IN BATTLE... UUHHUH...

I-I... UUH... NKKH...

SO PLEASE DON'T CRY.

I WILL ALWAYS PROTECT YOU, TSUMUGI.

WHEN I THINK THAT, THE TEARS JUST WON'T STOP.

AND MEET WITH YOU AS A HUMAN.

IF ONLY I COULD ASSUME A NORMAL SIZE.

BUT... IF ONLY ONCE...

WHAT IN THE WORLD AM I SAYING?

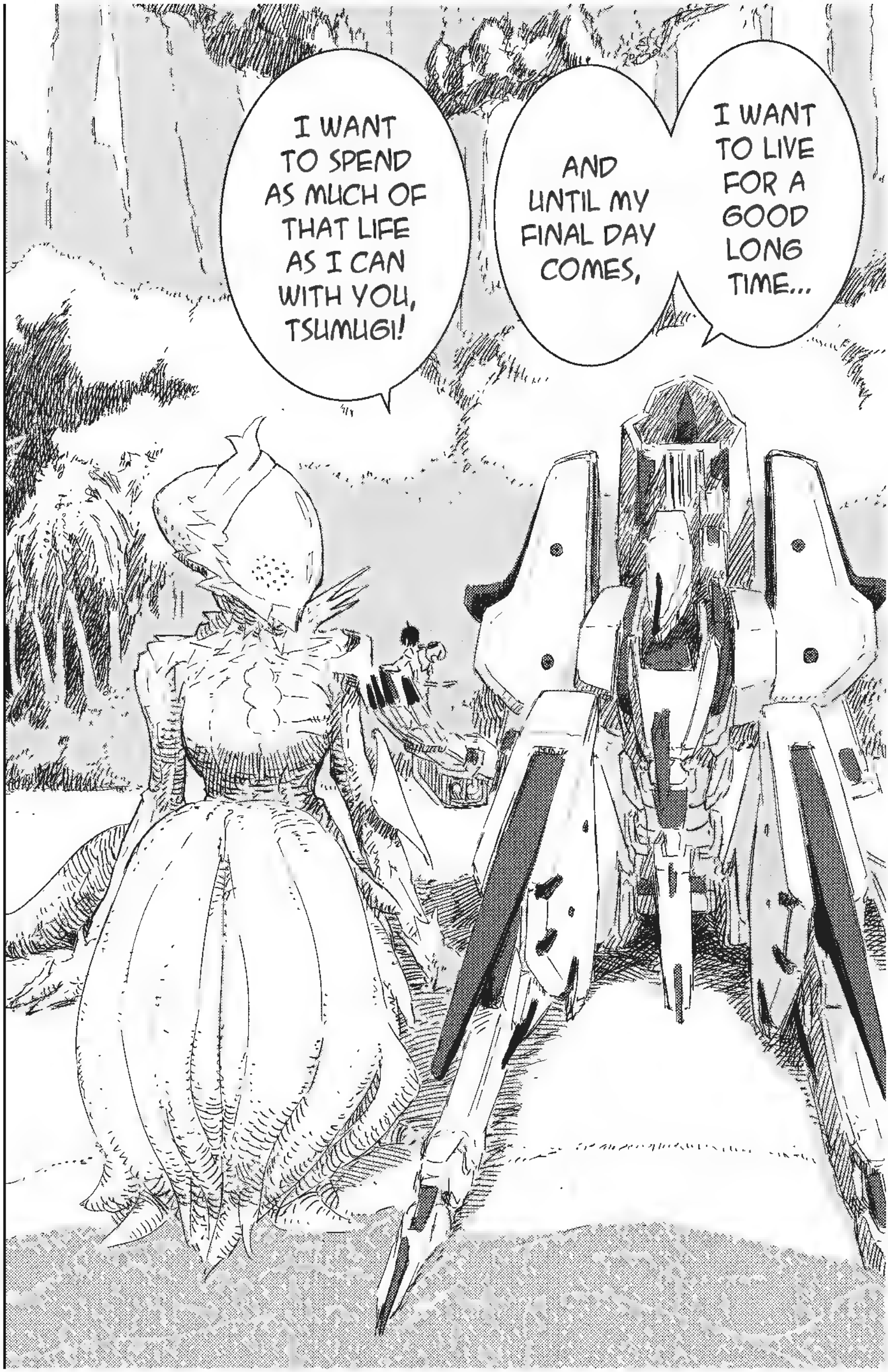
OHH... SNIFF!

I DON'T CARE IF YOU'RE HUMAN OR NOT!

SIZE DOESN'T MEAN A THING!

OUR HEIGHT DIFFERENCE IS JUST 15 METERS TOO!!

YOU'RE FINE AS YOU ARE!


I WANT TO SPEND AS MUCH OF THAT LIFE AS I CAN WITH YOU, TSUMUGI!
AND UNTIL MY FINAL DAY COMES,
I WANT TO LIVE FOR A GOOD LONG TIME...

I LOVE YOU, TSUMUGI !!

...? ...? ...WHA? ...?!...

...?... ... ...??...

BIP

M-MR. TANIKAZE, I FEEL A BIT DIZZY ...

STAGGER

SHF SHF

TIK

GRAB

SPLASH

SPLASH

FSSHH

BLUB

BUBBLE

M-M-M-MR. TANIKAZE!

FUME

ARE YOU OKAY?!

STEAM

GAAAH!!

YOW!

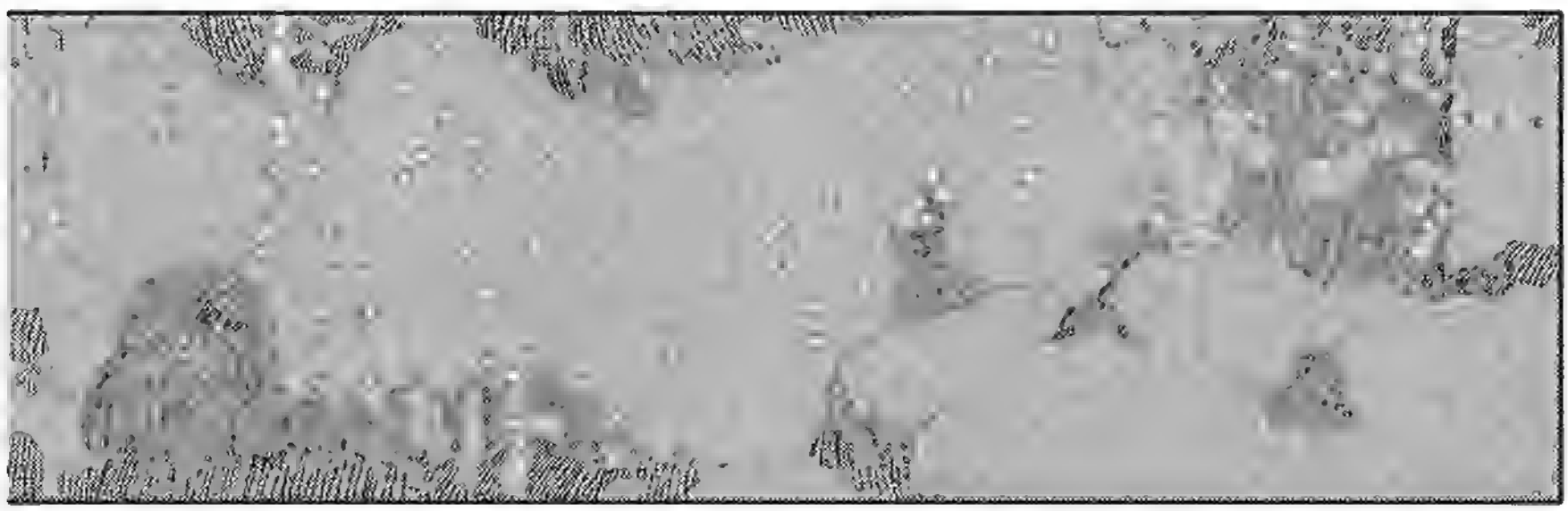
HOT!

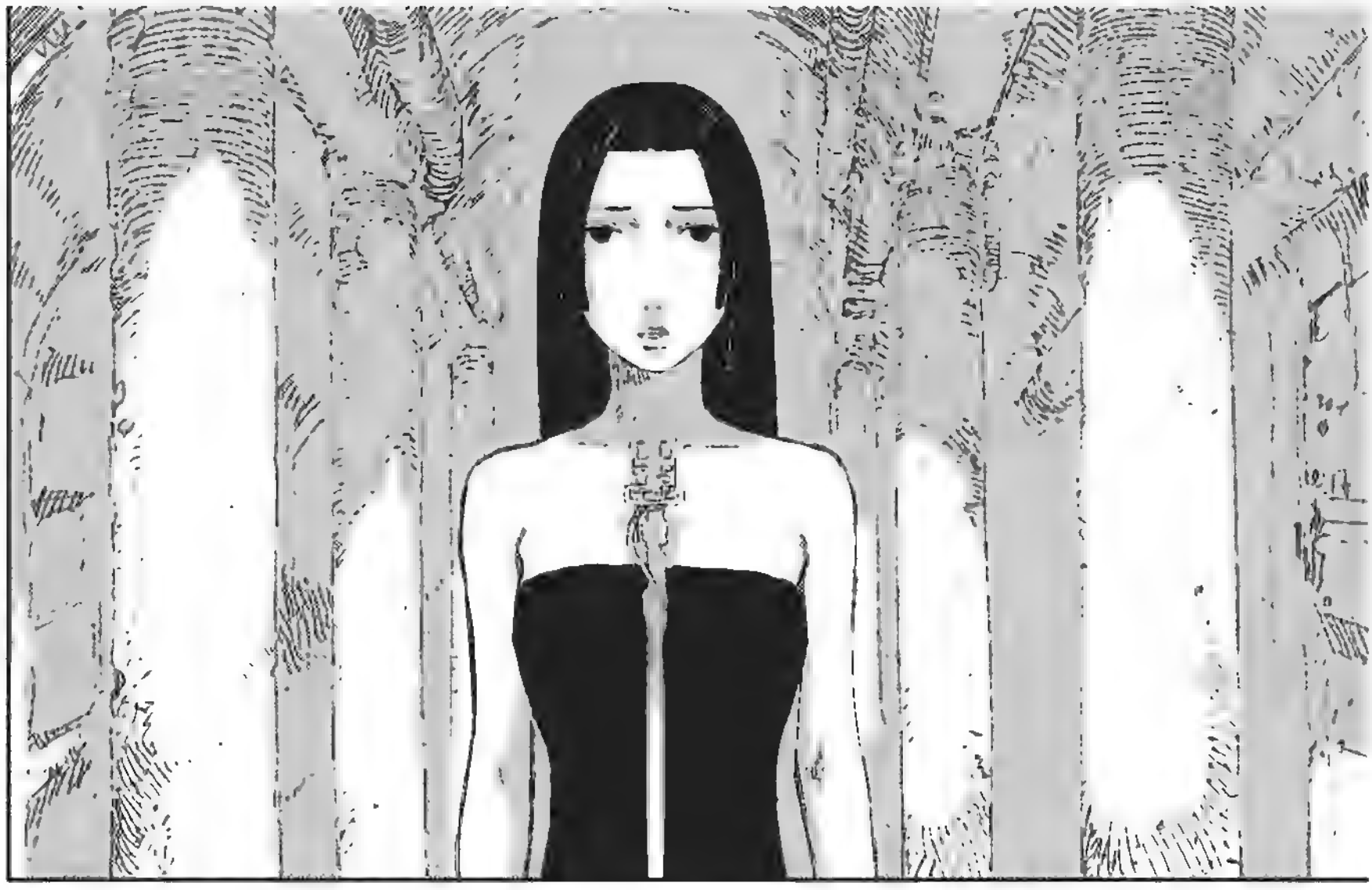
AHH! A-ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

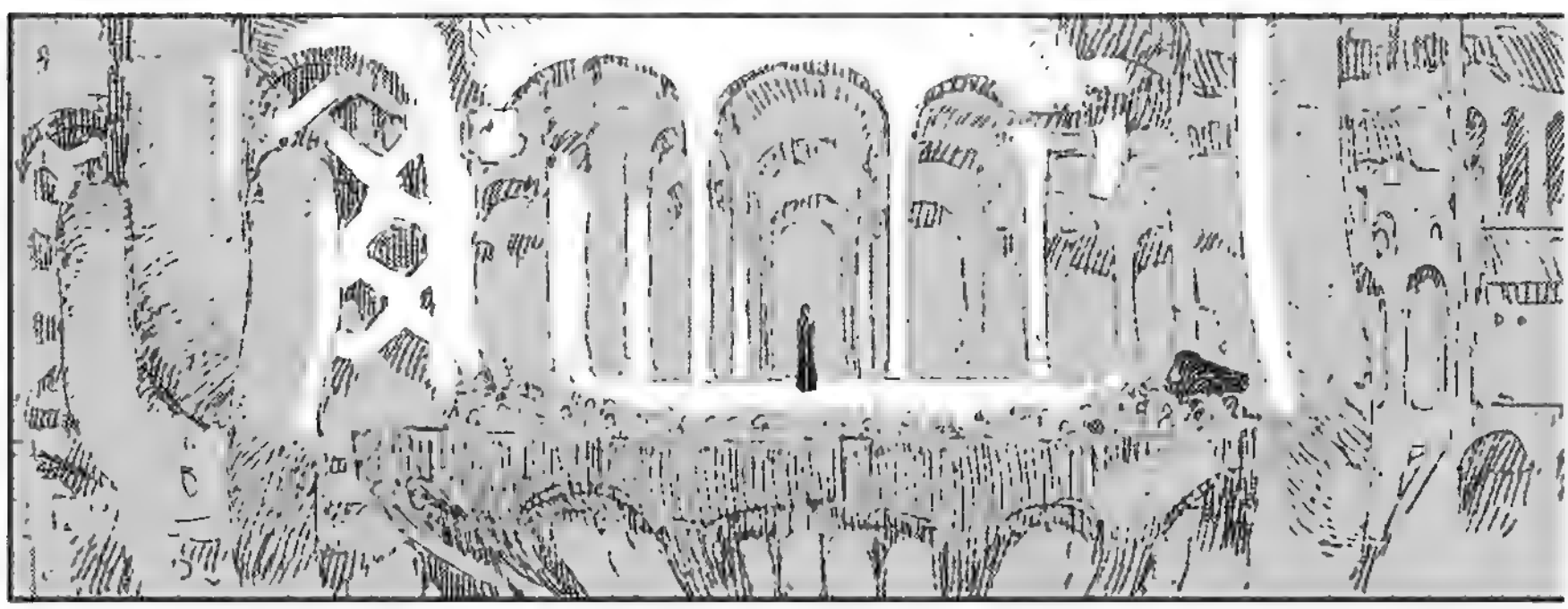
THUMP

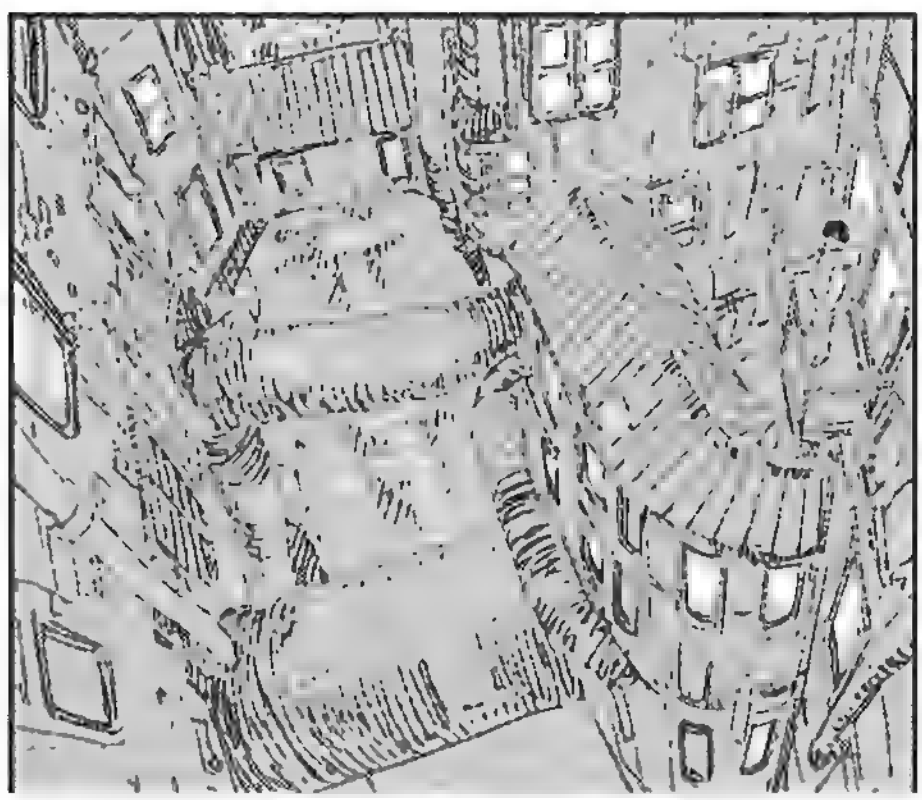
HUH?!!

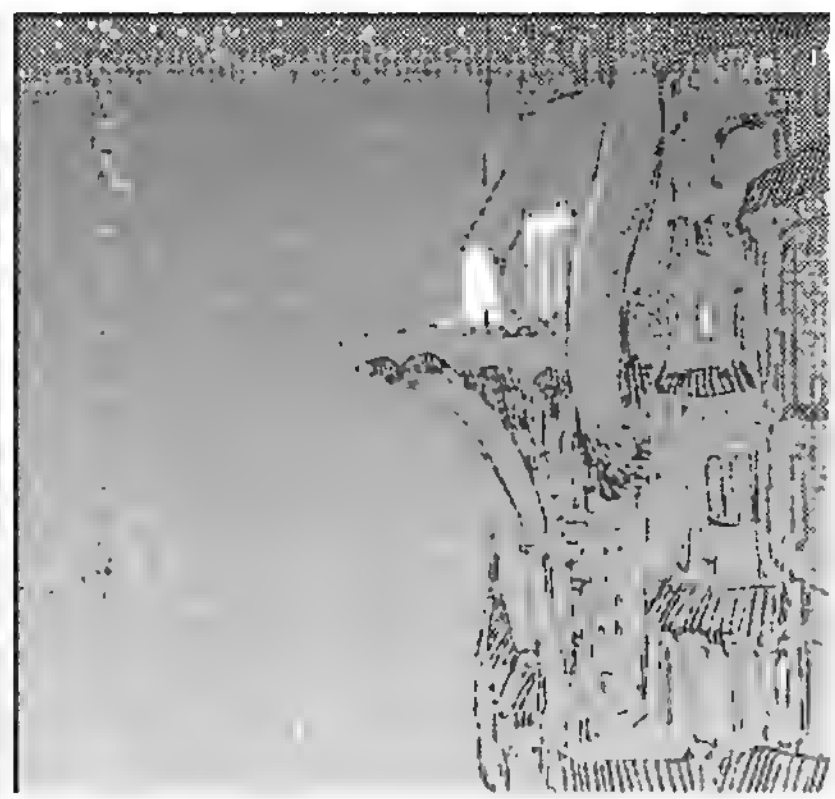
NM...











WHAT'S THE DEAL?

MUSIC THROUGH THE WHOLE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT...

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SHRAK

カラン

CLOP

KIND OF A SAD SONG, HUH.

THIS VOICE …

NAH... CAN'T BE...

IT'S A TUNE THAT WAS POPULAR ON EARTH.

HMPH... I HATE THE SEA ANYWAY.

CLASP

FOR A LONG TIME I'VE BEEN WANTING TSUMUGI TO BE HAPPY.

BUT... IT STILL MAKES ME GLAD.

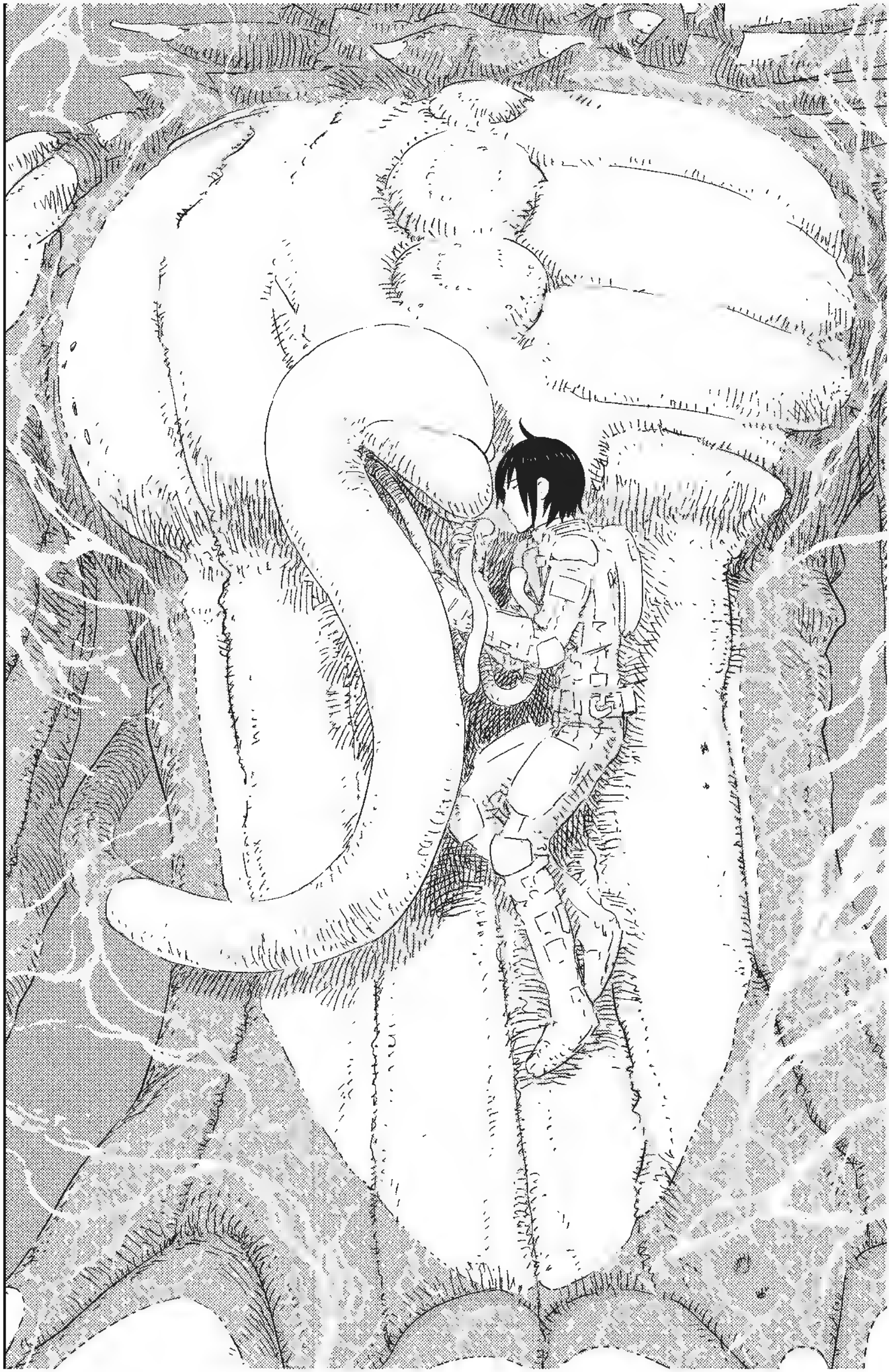
...

SO WE'VE BEEN DUMPED, HUH?

WHA ?!

IZANA... LET'S BE SURE TO MAKE IT BACK.

NOT ME, I HAVEN'T BEEN DUMPED.



WE'RE EXPENDING MASSIVE RESOURCES DAILY TO KEEP IT IN CHECK, AND THE FREEZING ISN'T FOOLPROOF.

IN WHICH CASE... CAN WE BEGIN DISMANTLING HYBRID NO. 2?

YEAH, THE TEST FIRING WAS SUCCESSFUL AT LEAST.

SO IT'S ALL GOOD THEN?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

WITH THE IMPENDING FINAL BATTLE, WE CAN'T HAVE ANY UNATTENDED PROBLEMS LEFT.

VERY WELL.

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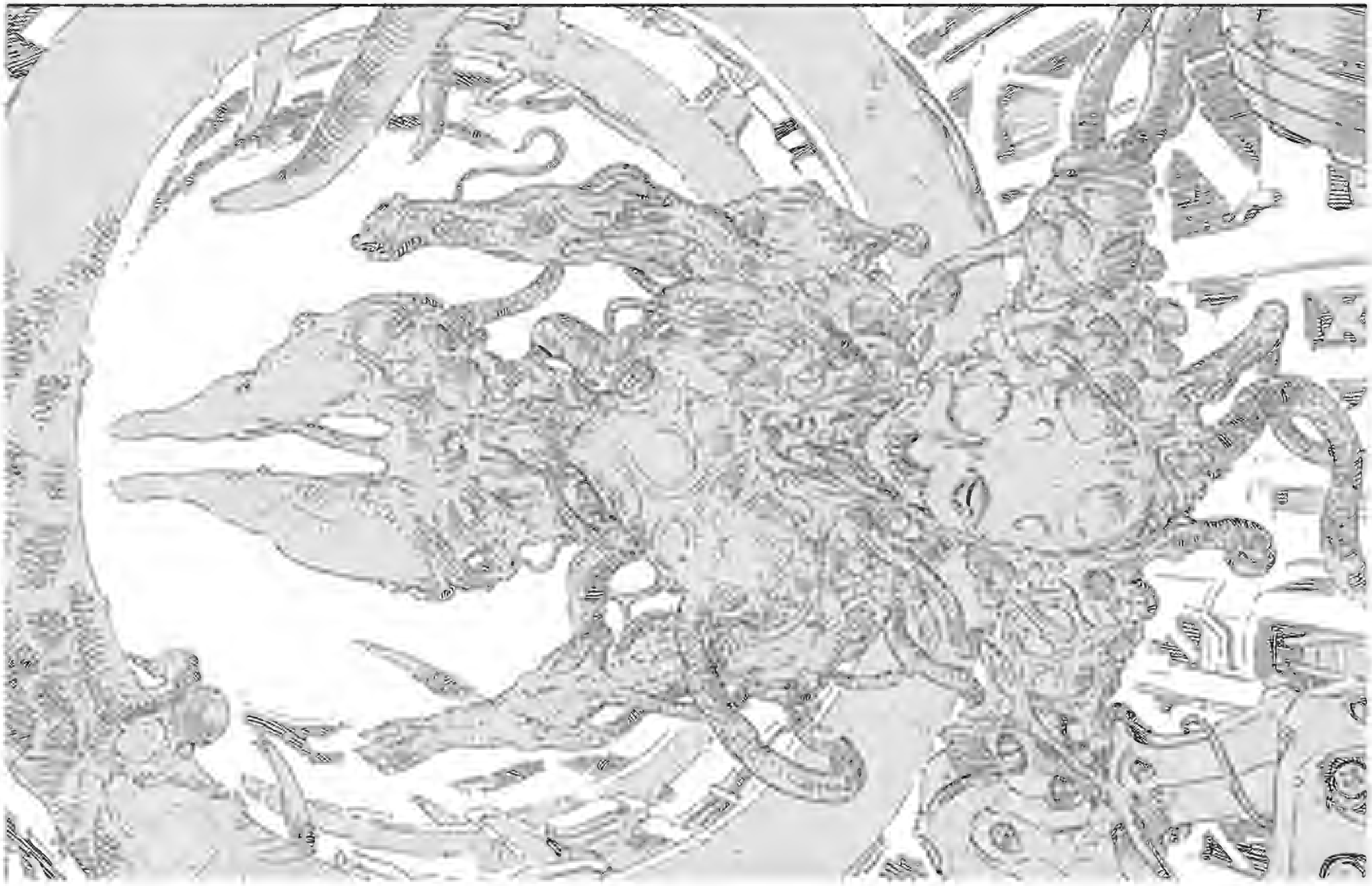
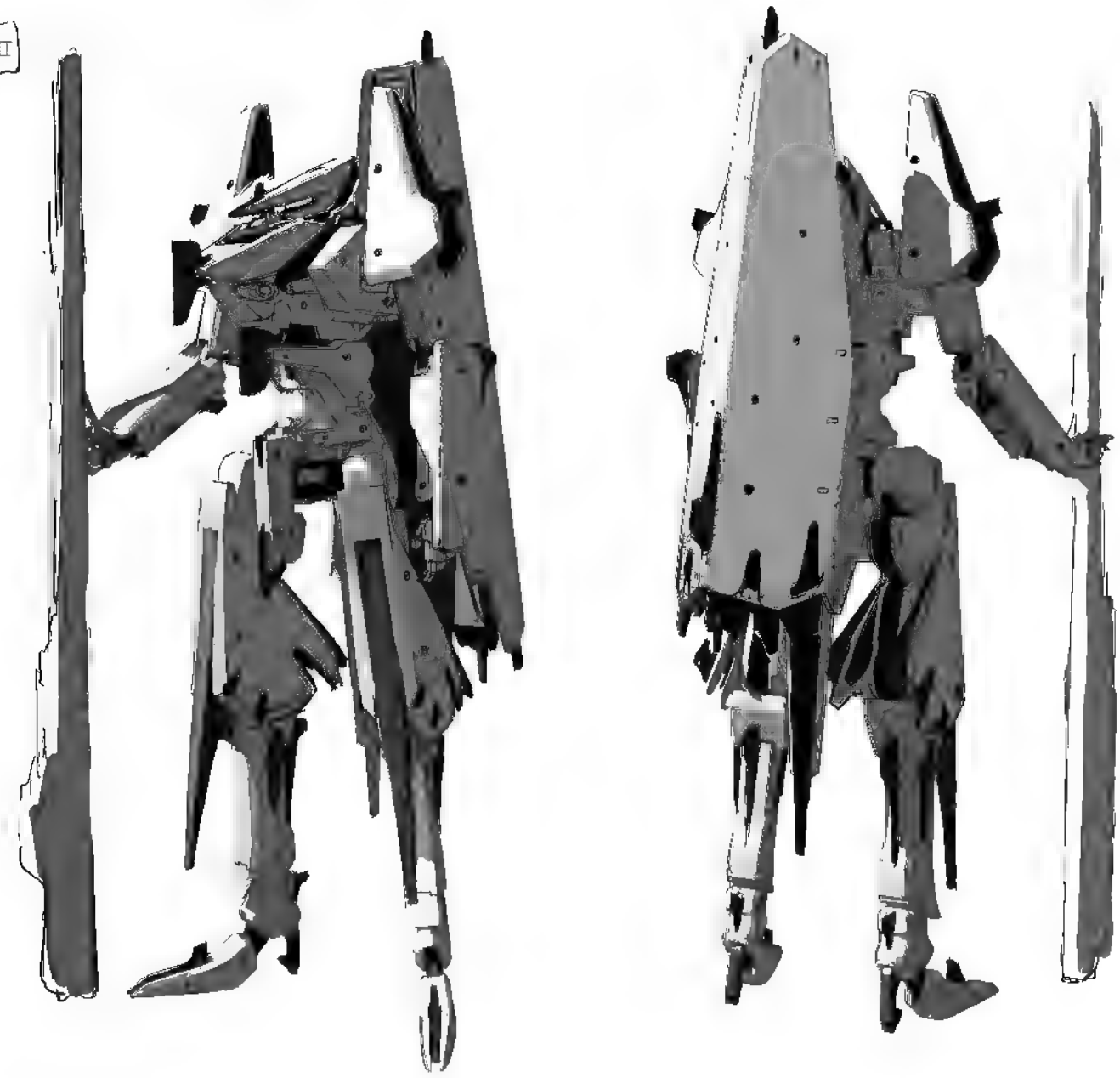


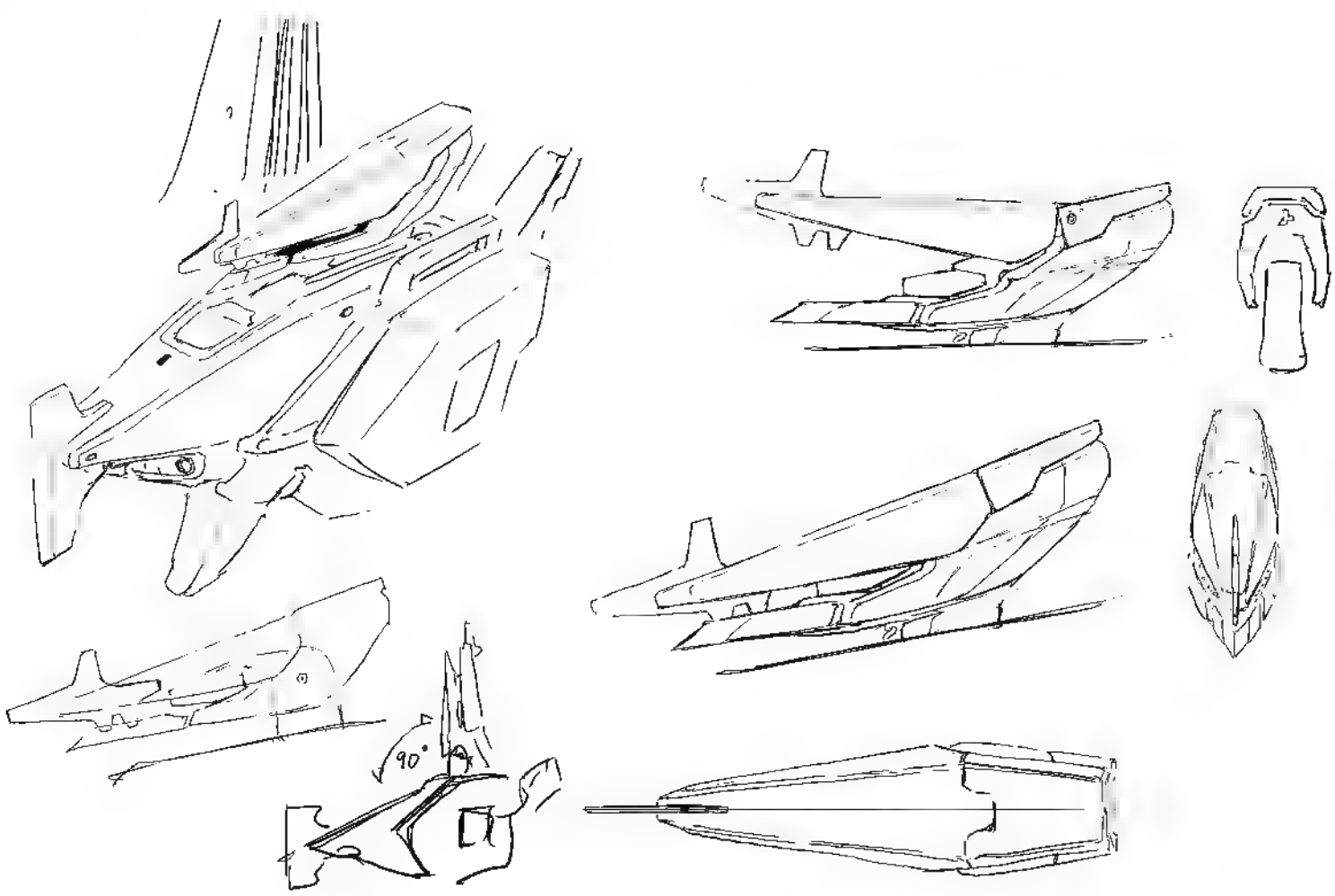
シドニアの騎士

KNIGHTS OF SIDONIA

Tsugumori Mark II



Tsugumori Mark II head



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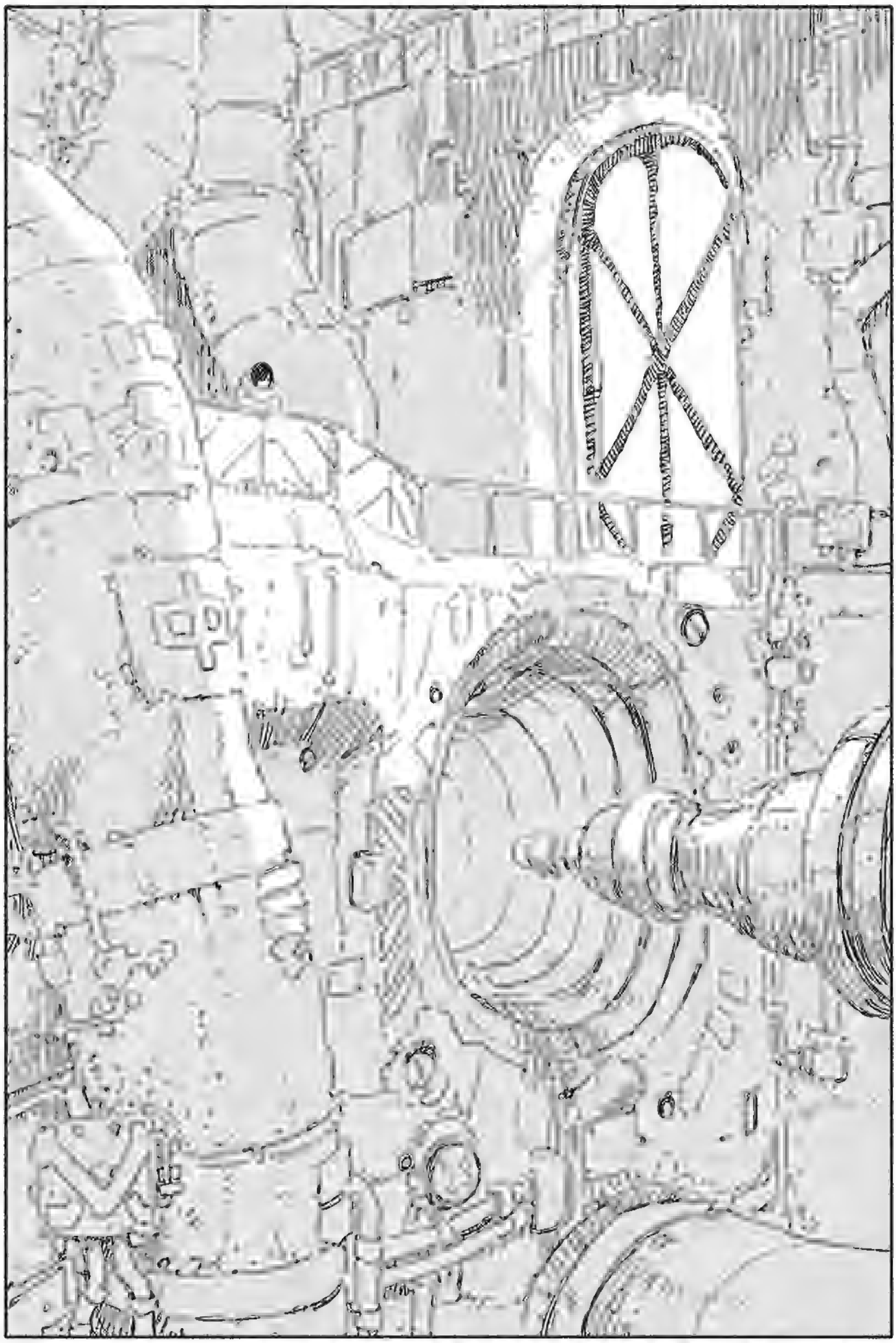

One Hundred Sights of Sidonia Part Forty-Nine
Higgs Flow Channel Connection Terminal

NOW COMMENCING DISMANTLEMENT OF HYBRID NO. 2 "KANATA."
REMOVING SAFETIES!
ALL REMOTE OPERATION PATHWAYS CONNECTED.

FIRING SYSTEM
CONTROL PILE
CORE
CORE DETONATION SYSTEM
?!
ACTI-VATE.
READY CORE DESTRUC-TION SYSTEM.
CLOSE IT, QUICK!
WHAT THE ...
HUH ?!
IT'S NOT ACCEPTING OUR INPUTS !!
NO RESPONSE ... STRANGE.
WHAT'S WRONG ?
THE CEILING HATCH IN HANGAR TWO IS OPENING!
WHAT ?!
BEEEP
BEEEP
WHOOSH
GKNNG

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SZZZ
ブチ…
SPTCH
ズ…!
SZT
ブチ
SPTCH

IMPOSSIBLE... HURRY... AND STOP IT, OR...
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SZZ
TH-THE CONTROL PILE IS STARTING TO PULL OUT!!
RZZ

WE SHOULD ONLY BE ABLE TO OPERATE IT FROM IN HERE!
HOW COULD THAT BE?!
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KLING
GAKUNG

ARGH, I CAN'T STOP IT !!
ビー
BEEP
IT'S IGNORING OUR INPUTS !!
YIKES, ELEVATOR NO. 2 IS ASCENDING !!
ビー
BEEP

ARE YOU KIDDING?! WHAT THE HELL?!

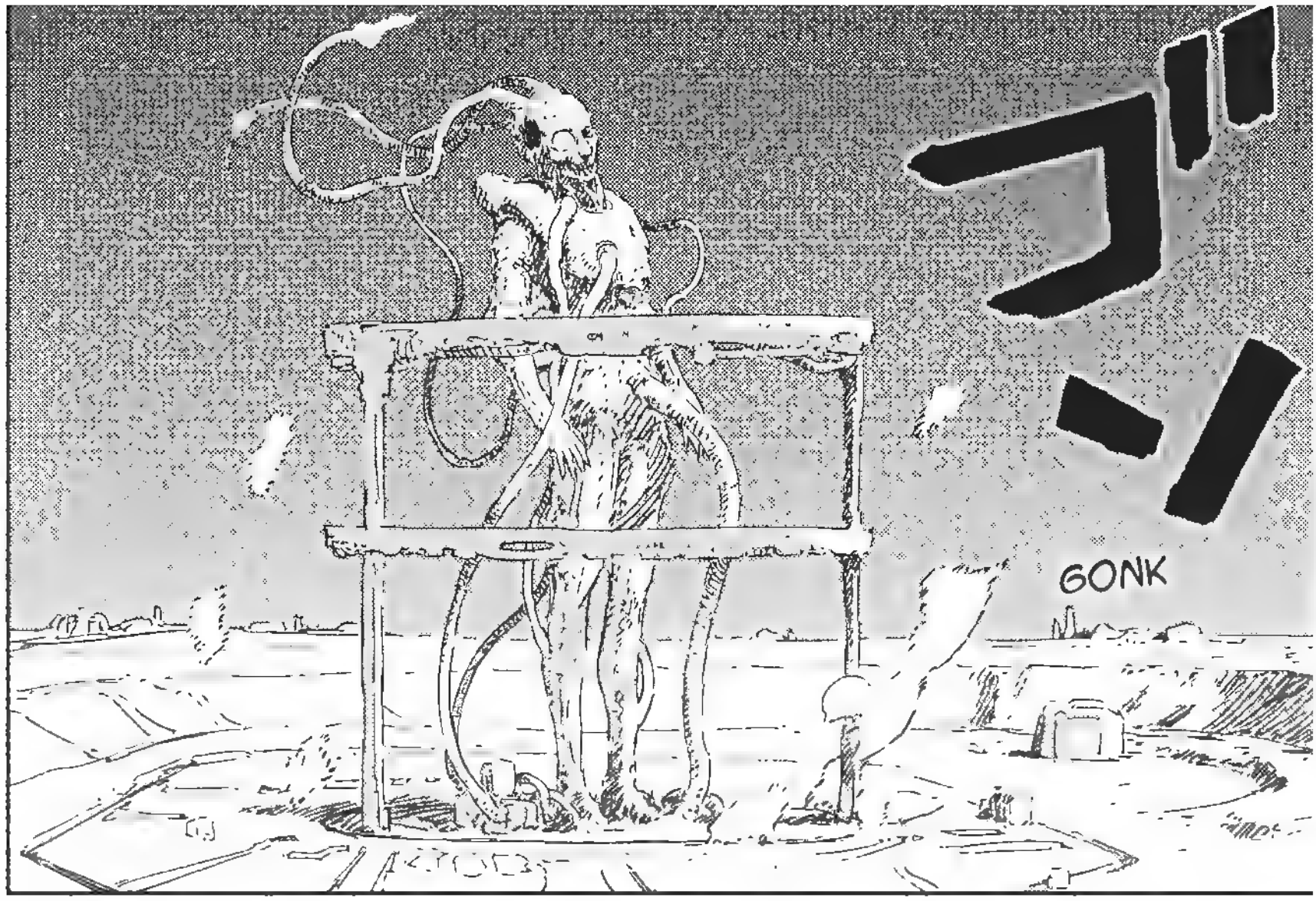
H-HEY, WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?!!

BIP

KTAKTAK KTAK

SQUICH

BWAPP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GONK

REQUEST FOR GARDE DEPLOYMENT TO OUTER SHELL OF KUNATO DEVELOP-MENT!
EMERGENCY MESSAGE FROM THE SHINATOSE LABORATORY!

THIS IS COMMAND. WHAT'S GOING ON OVER THERE?!
WHAT IS UP?!

A GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER?!! YOU MEAN OTHER THAN THE ONES MADE BY TOHA HEAVY INDUSTRIES?!

IT HAS A PLACENTAL GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER IN ITS HEAD!

I'LL EXPLAIN LATER! RIGHT NOW, JUST DESTROY IT!

YURE, SASAKI, AID THE OPERA-TION.

UN-RESTRICT ALL INFO ABOUT NO. 2.

CAPTAIN !

GAKUNG

ALL GARDES ON DUTY, EQUIP HIGH-SPEED PROJECTILE ACCELERATORS! GET TO THE SITE AT ONCE!

HURRY!! JUST LIKE A GALINA, IT CAN BE DEFEATED IF ITS CORE IS DESTROYED!

HYBRID NO. 2 ?!

HYBRID NO. 2 HAD BEEN LOCKED DOWN BECAUSE IT COULDN'T BE CONTROLLED, BUT ONE OF THE STAFF HERE DELIBERATELY SET HIM LOOSE!

...

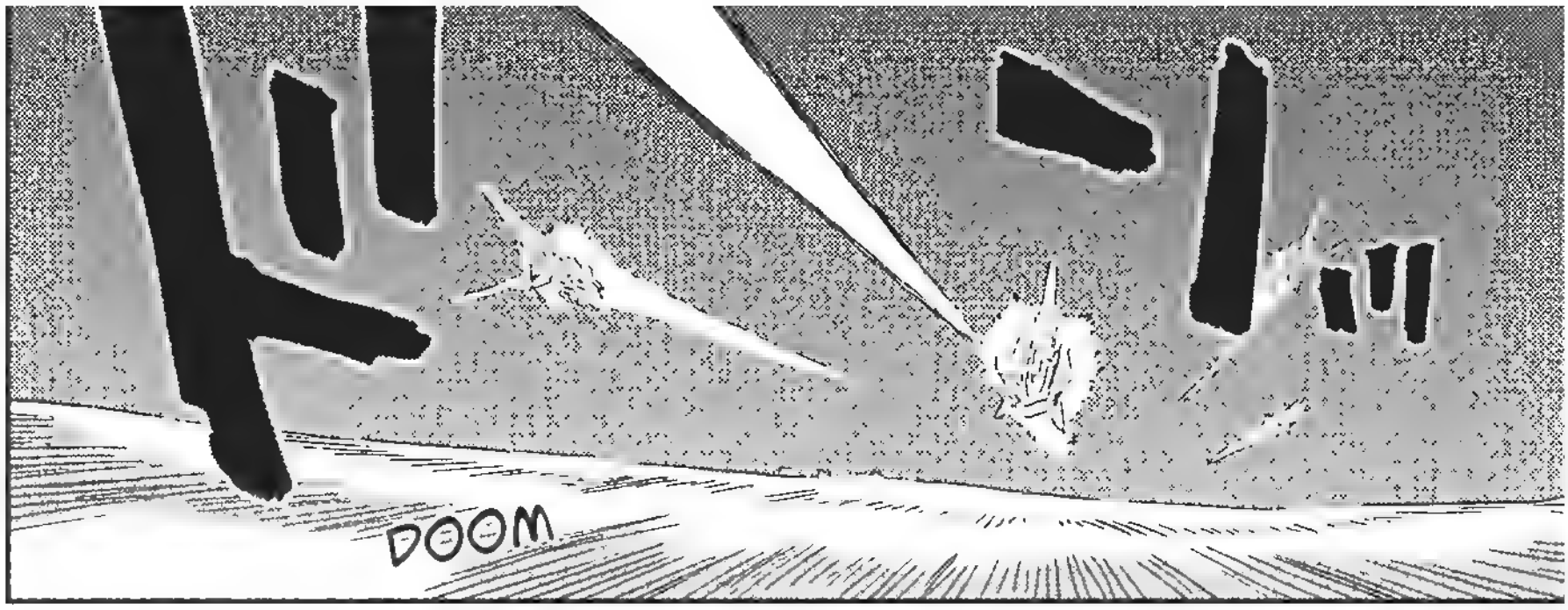
WHEN DID THEY MAKE A SECOND ONE?

HYBRID ...

TARGET CON-FIRMED !!

ATTACK !!

KWEEM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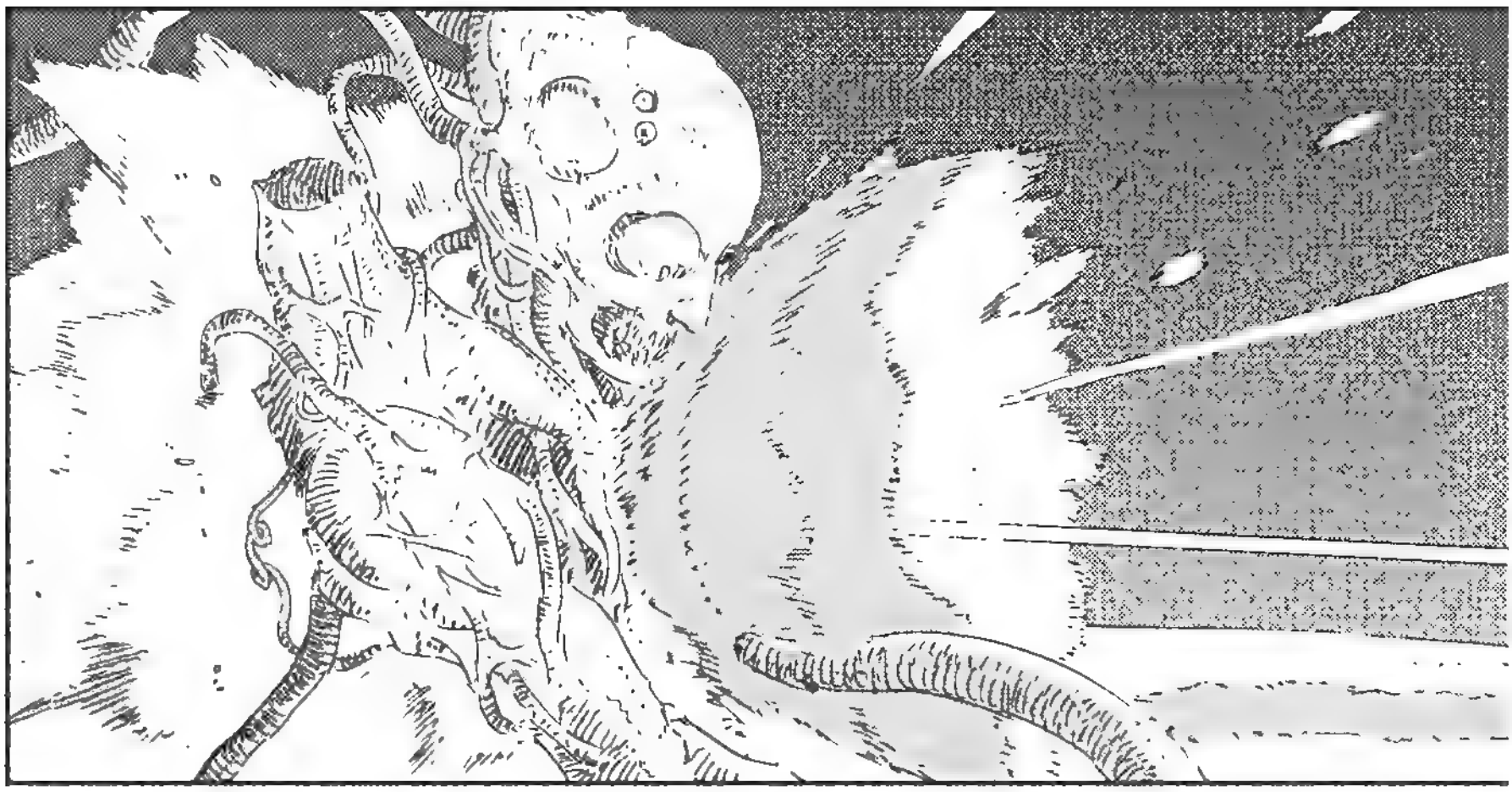

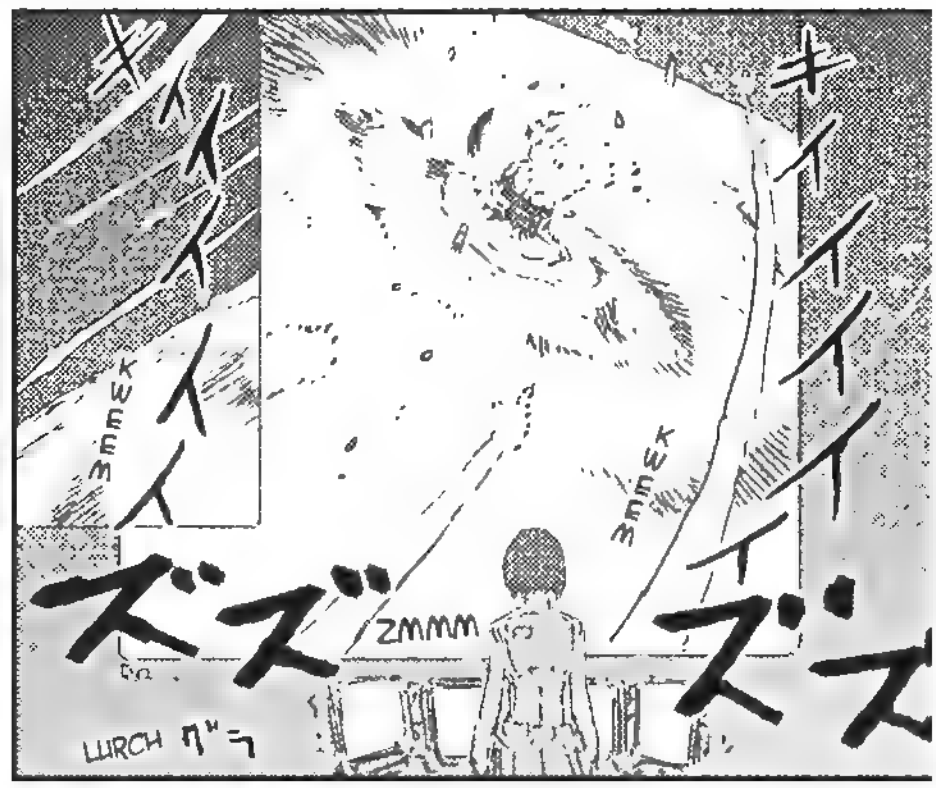
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LURCH

WE'VE FAILED TO DESTROY IT!!

BUT THE PIERCING ROUNDS MUST HAVE HIT!

YOU MEAN IT'S HYPER-STRUCTURE?!!

ITS STRUCTURE IS A MODIFIED GAUNA CORE SHELL WHOSE WEAKNESSES WE—

PROFESSOR! THAT SHELL IS NOT A GAUNA CORE SHELL!

I THOUGHT A HYBRID'S CORE WASN'T SUPPOSED TO HAVE A SHELL?!

WHAT'S THE DEAL, SHINA-TOSE?!

I TRIED IT WITH KUNATO PLENTY OF TIMES, BUT WE WERE NEVER ONCE SUCCESSFUL ...

I-IT CAN'T BE... HOW? A HYBRID SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO GENERATE HYPER-STRUCTURE...

WE'LL USE OUR GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER AS WELL.

IN OTHER WORDS, KABI AREN'T GOING TO BE ANY USE AGAINST IT ...

PLUS, THE HIGGS PARTICLES SIDONIA CAN SUPPLY WON'T ACHIEVE ANY EFFECT UNLESS YOU FIRE AT VERY CLOSE RANGE!

IT HAS NO ARMOR AND IS COMPLETELY NAKED! IF A SINGLE FRAGMENT HITS IT, IT'LL BREAK!

CAPTAIN! IT'S NOT FINISHED YET!

JUST WHEN WE WERE ABOUT TO TAKE ON THE GREATER CLUSTER SHIP, SHEESH...

TANIKAZE SQUAD, DEAL WITH THE HYBRID!

SAMARI SQUAD AND TSUMUGI, ESCORT TOHA HEAVY INDUSTRIES' GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER.

READY IT.

WE USE IT NOW OR LOSE THE CHANCE FOR ETERNITY.

GWMM

PICK UP THE PACE, TSURUUCHI. WE DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO TWADDLE!

AND IT'S EQUIPPED WITH A GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER MADE OUT OF PLACENTA ?!

A HYBRID NO. 2 THEY SECRETLY DEVELOPED WAS BEYOND CONTROL ?!

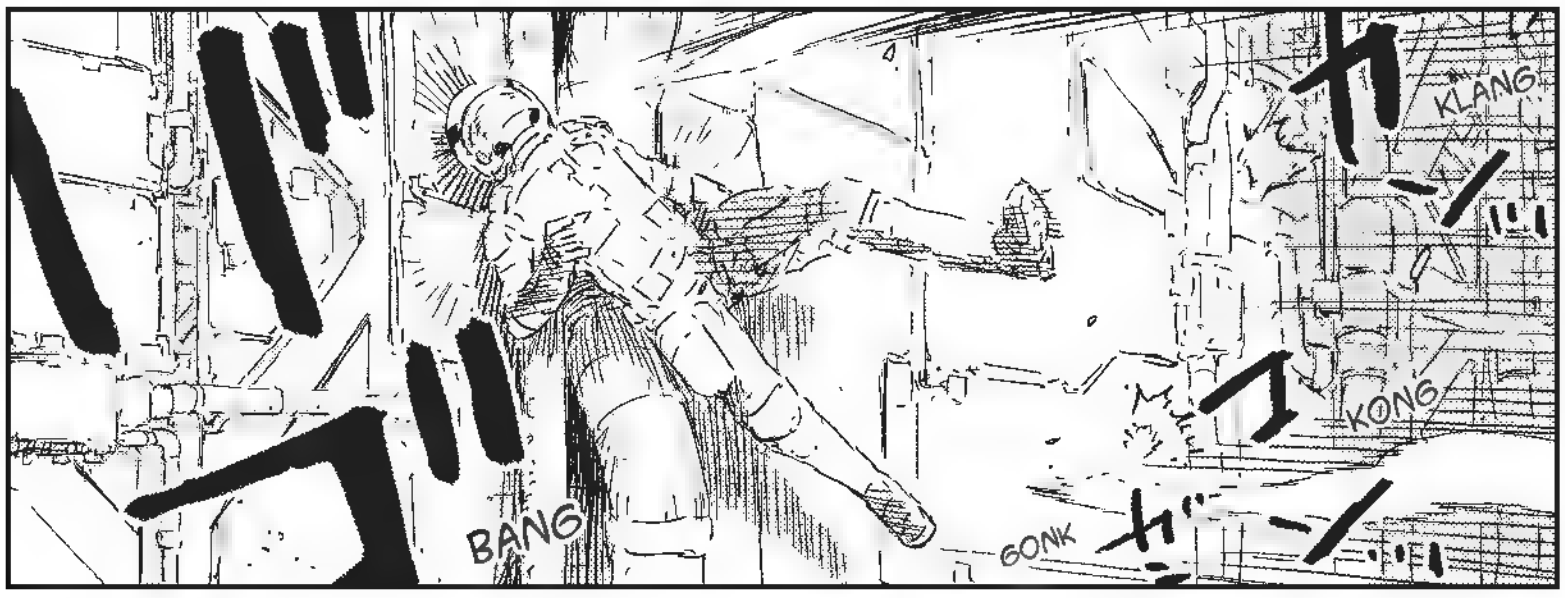
BKONK

KLIK

SQUIK ギュ

GAKNNG ガァ

BOOM


KLANG
KONG
BANG
GONK

MR. TANI-KAZE !!
?!

VWEET

FIRE OUTBREAK IN GARDE HANGAR SEVEN!!

VWEET

GGGRRR

KSSHT

PSSHT

IS THAT YOUR UNIT ?!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?!

KAK KAK KAK

CHK CHK CHK

KSHINNK

VWOM

HHHMM

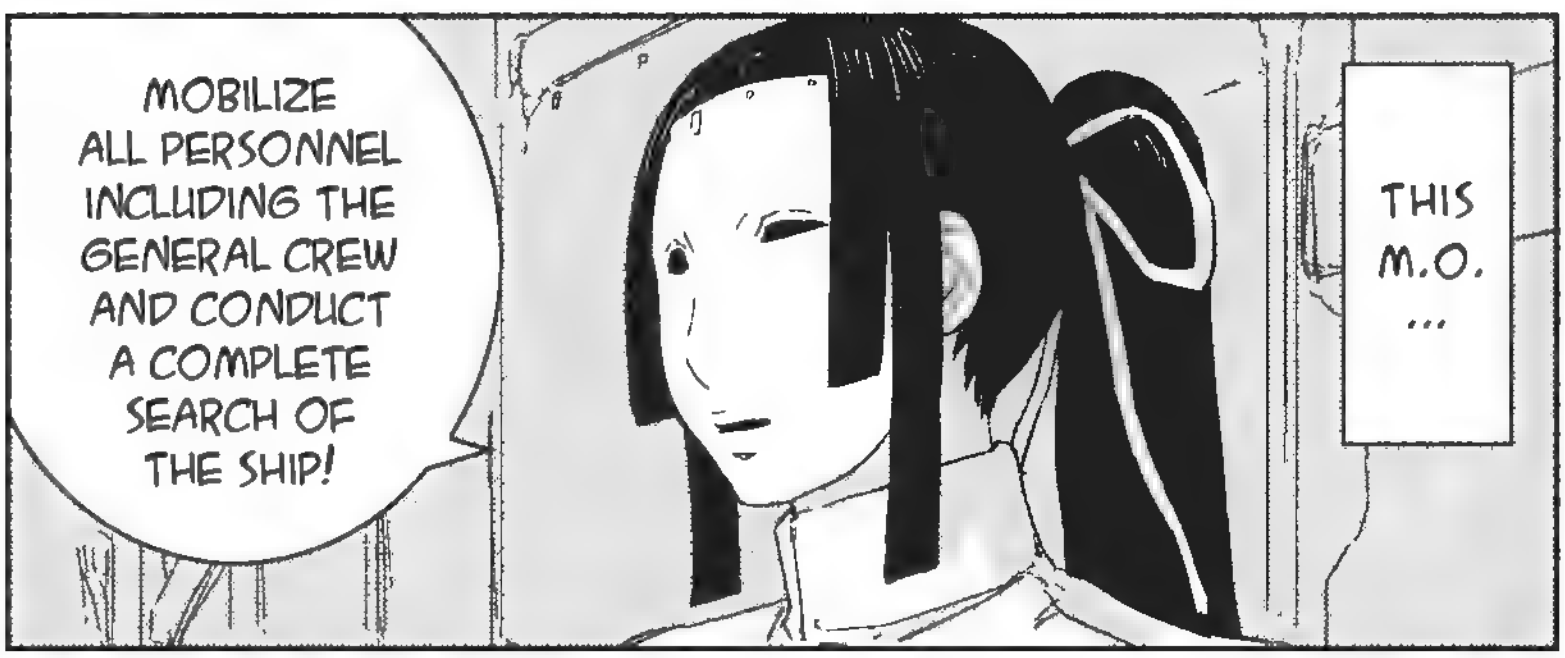
KTAKTAK

FLIK FLIK

UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS OF UNIT NUMBER 314 BY UNKNOWN PERSON!! IT HAS DESTROYED THE TURRET AND CHARGED INTO THE LAUNCH LANES!!
UNIT NUMBER 314 ACTIVATING?! COME IN PLEASE!!
TSUGUMORI MARK II HARMED! MAJOR DAMAGE TO INTERNAL STRUCTURE AROUND COCKPIT, SORTIE IMPOSSIBLE! PILOT BADLY INJURED!
GARDE EXPLOSION IN GARDE HANGAR!!

WHAT... IN THE WORLD IS...

WE MANAGED TO KEEP IT FROM DETONATING, BUT THIS IS GETTING SERIOUS!
THERE WAS AN EXPLOSIVE SET UP HERE TOO!


MOBILIZE ALL PERSONNEL INCLUDING THE GENERAL CREW AND CONDUCT A COMPLETE SEARCH OF THE SHIP!
THIS M.O. ...

IT'S NO TIME TO BE WAITING SO I'M CUTTING THROUGH THE DOOR, FORGIVE ME!

チュイーン!!

CHWINK

WE CAN'T OPEN IT FROM THE CONTROLS HERE EITHER! WE'RE LOOKING INTO THE CAUSE— COULD YOU WAIT A LITTLE?

THIS IS TSUMUGI! PLEASE OPEN THE LAUNCH BAY DOOR!

WHOMF

I- I SEE ...

HIS LIFE'S NOT IN DANGER BUT HE'S BADLY INJURED ...

IZANA, HOW'S MR. TANIKAZE?!

GOOD... THAT'S IT... LIKE THAT, INSERT IT SLOWLY...

GAAAA AAAAH!!

ボヴーン

BGUMP

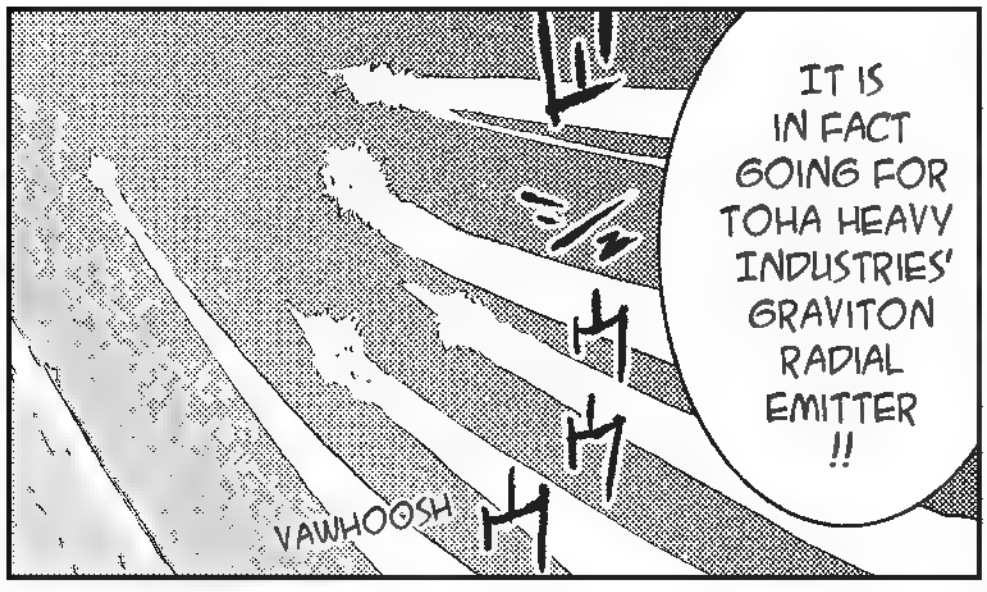
WHAT IS THIS THING ?

MY BODY !!!

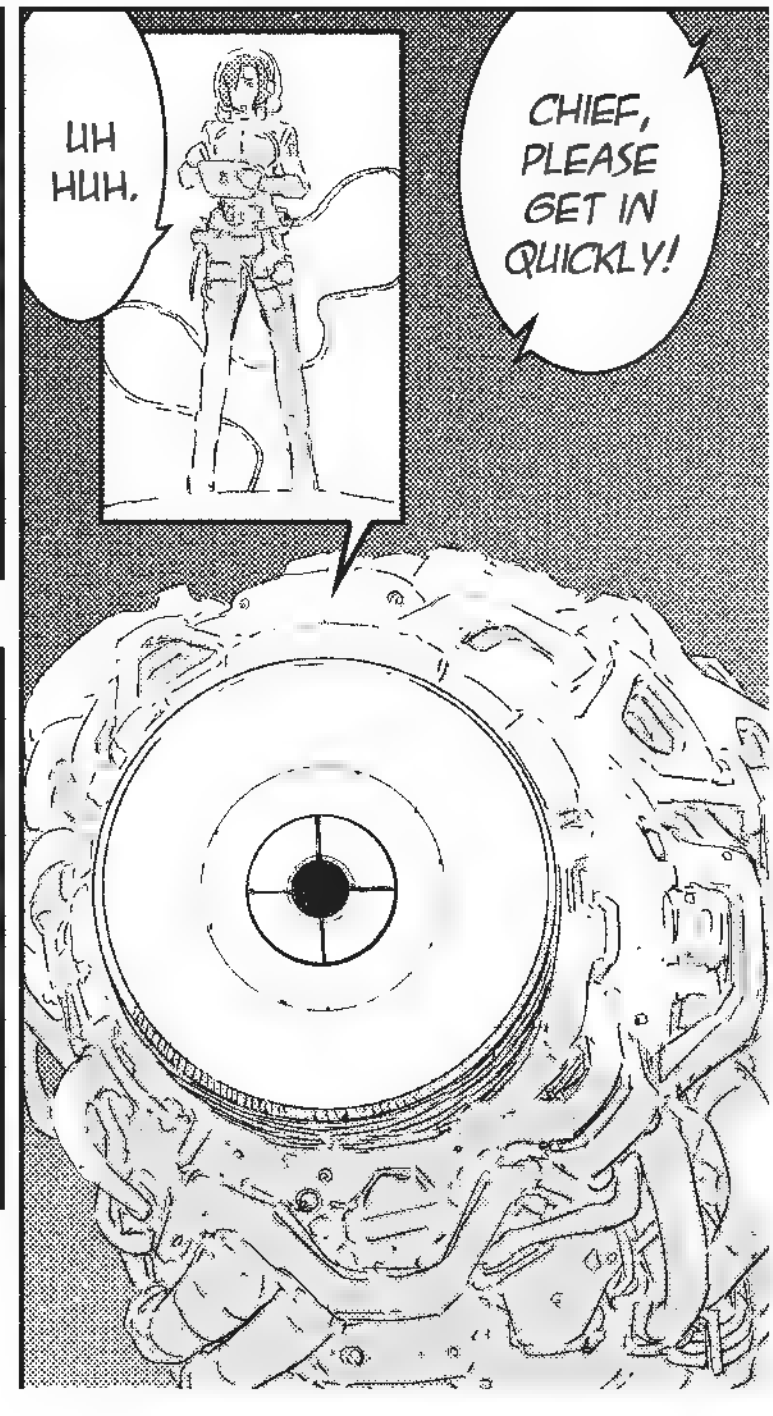
KANATA IS AWAKE!!!

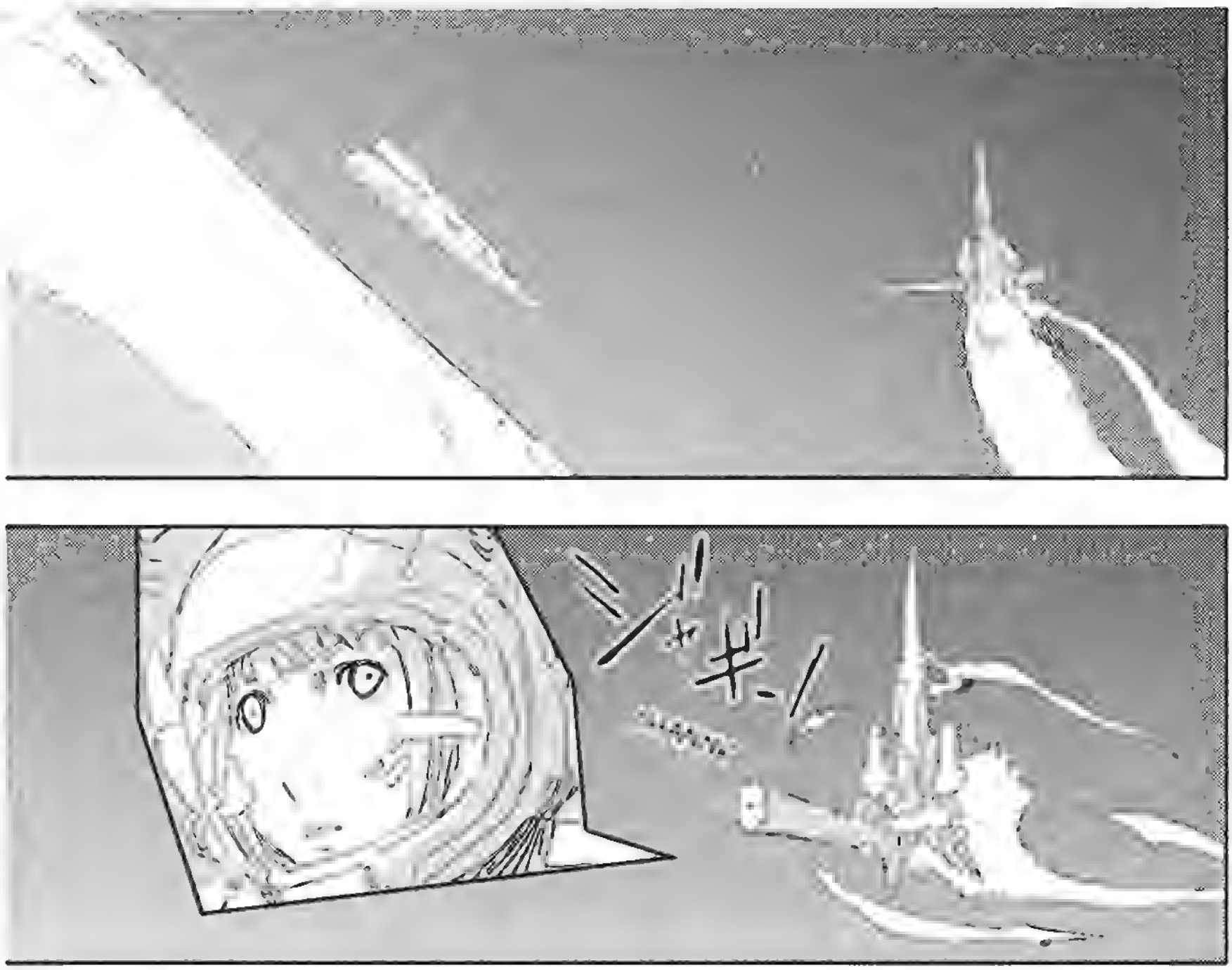
GAH ?!!

GRRRM


IT IS IN FACT GOING FOR TOHA HEAVY INDUSTRIES' GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER !!
VAWHOOSH

UNIT NO. 314 !!
THIS IS YOUR LAST WARNING! STOP!!


UH HUH.
CHIEF, PLEASE GET IN QUICKLY!



THIS IS SAMARI SQUAD! UNIT NO. 314 HAS BEEN DE-STROYED
NKK!

BCHK

MLRRGG

BLRRGG

GAAH

AAAH

KWEEM

KWEEM

I WILL TRY TALKING TO HIM!

TSU-MUGI ?!

DON'T PROVOKE IT!!

NO!!

AAA

WHUM

I'LL TRY TO DESTROY THE HEAD AT LEAST !!

SHINK

AAAH

HELLO.

...

...

I'M A HYBRID JUST LIKE YOU.

MY NAME IS TSUMUGI SHIRAUI.

THAT'S RIGHT.

LIKE ME?

ONCE, I LOST MY ARMS AND MY LEGS, ALL OF THEM,

BUT LOOK AT ME NOW!

IT'S OKAY, YOU'LL GROW ANOTHER IN NO TIME.

I'D JUST GOTTEN TO WHERE I COULD MOVE IT...

HEY... HAVE I LOST MY ARM ?

YOU WILL ?

IF YOU'RE WORRIED, I'LL STAY WITH YOU UNTIL YOU HEAL.

WOW ...

THE EMITTER IS SHRINKING BACK DOWN!

YES. THAT'S A PROMISE.

YOU'VE PUT ME AT EASE ...

THANK YOU... TSUMUGI.

AND LOOK WHAT HE'S HAD TO GO THROUGH ...

HE'S STILL JUST A CHILD ...

ボボボボ…

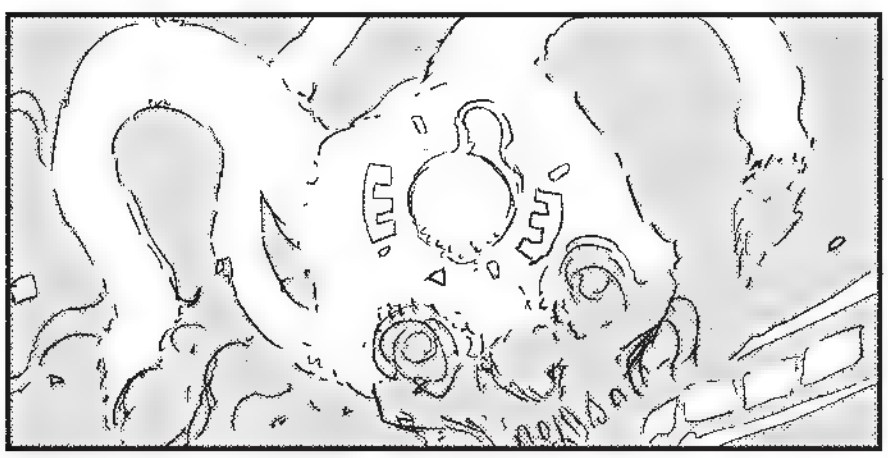
FWOOM

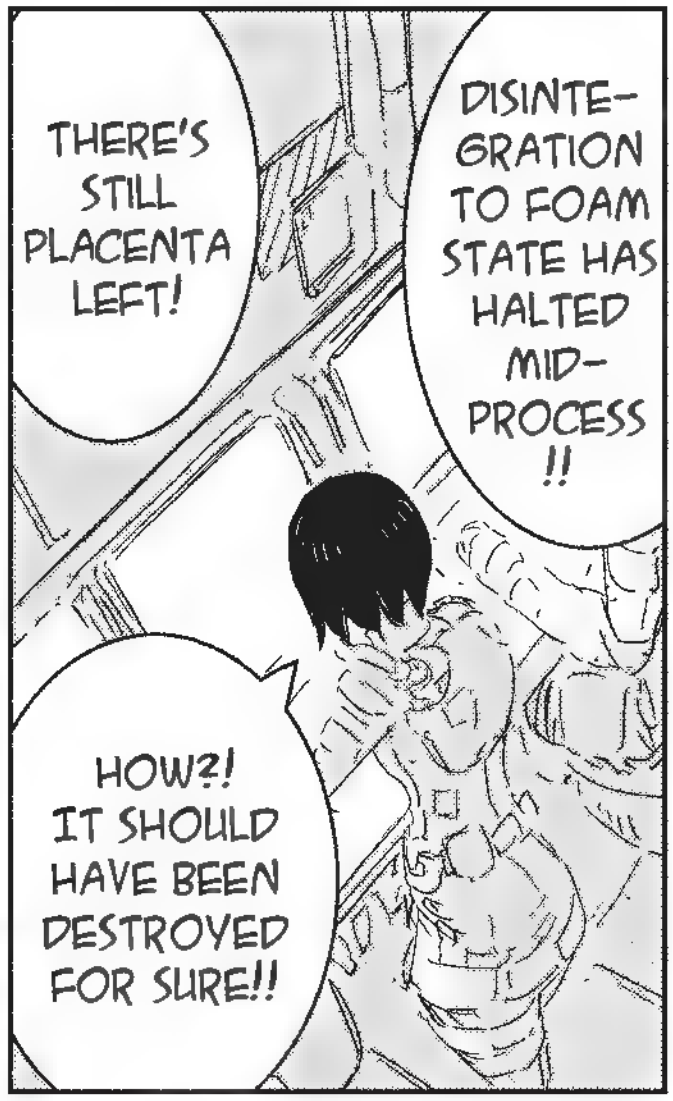
ズズズ…

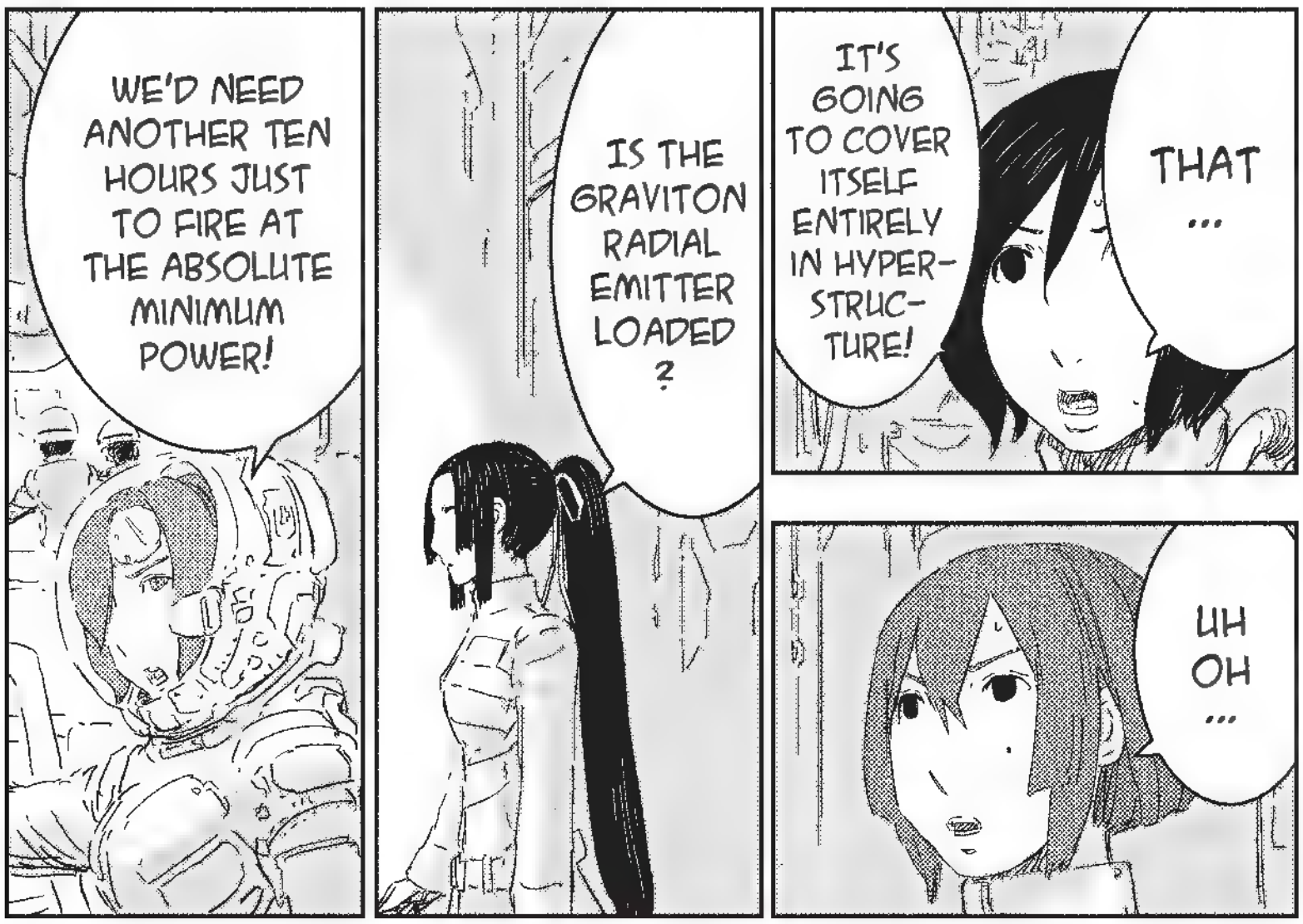
ZMM

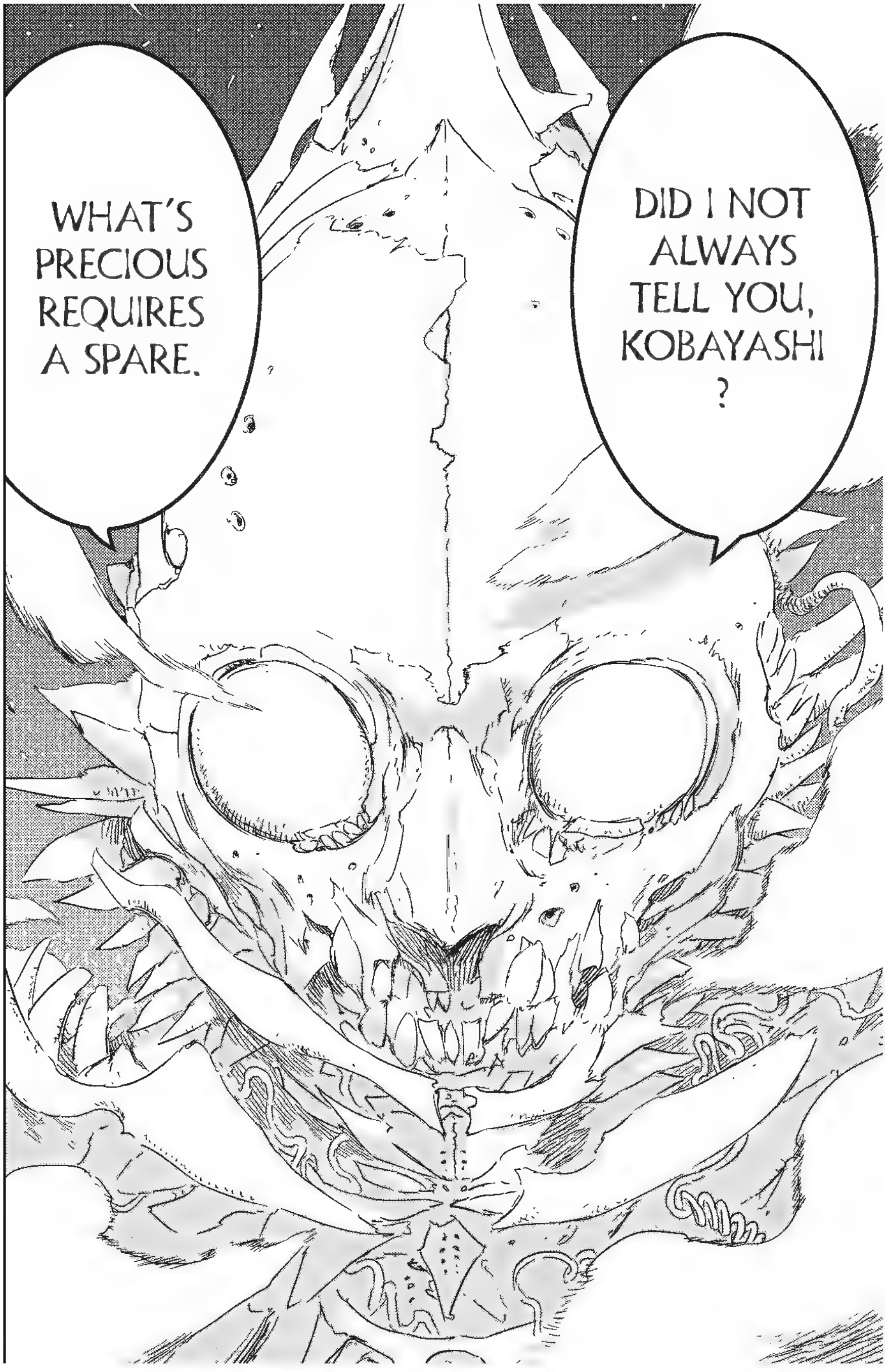
HE WAS LISTENING TO WHAT I WAS TELLING HIM!
WHY ?!!

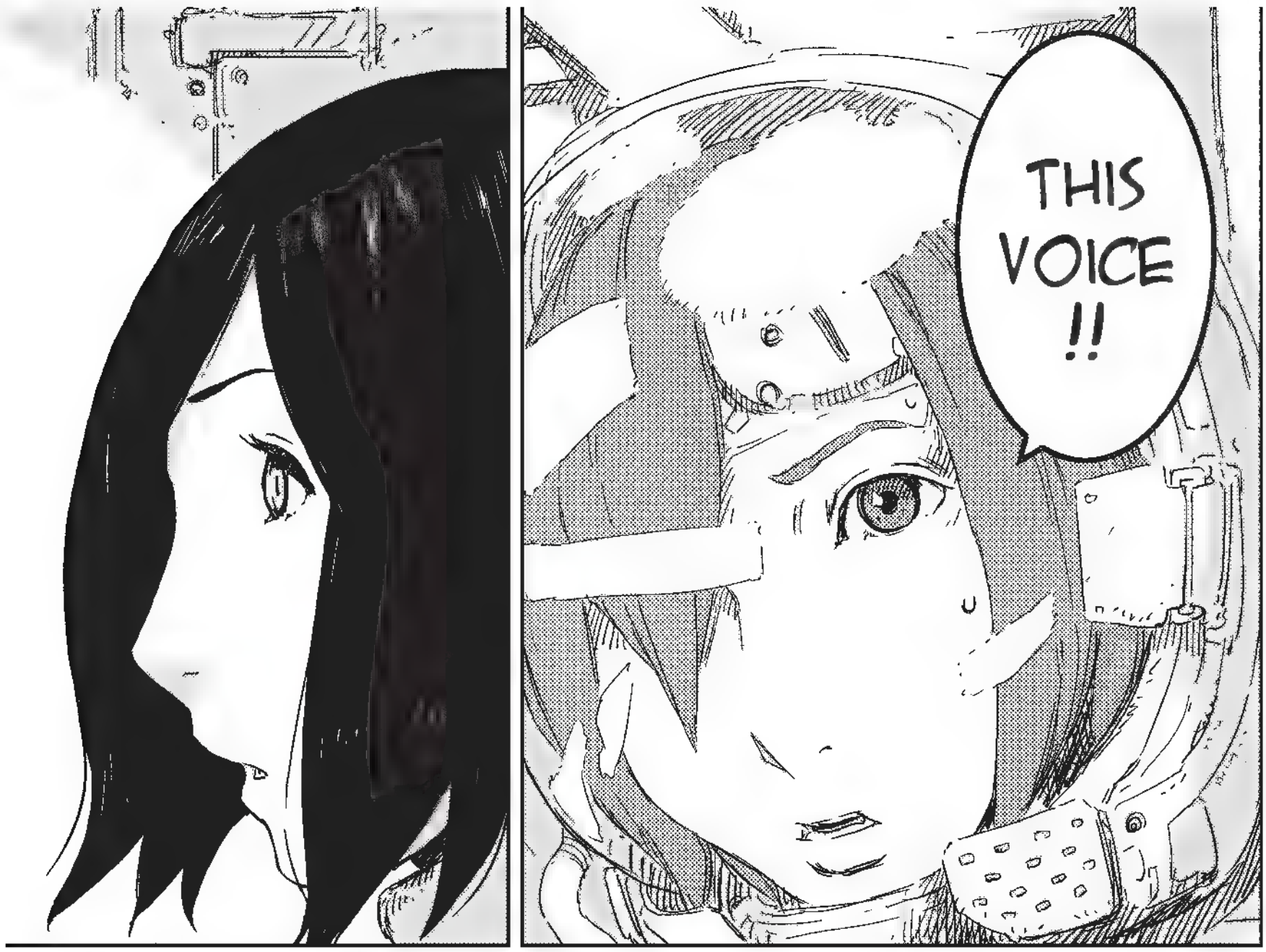
THERE'S STILL A CORE LEFT! IT WAS HIDING ANOTHER ONE!
LOOK AT THIS !




THERE'S STILL PLACENTA LEFT!
DISINTE-GRATION TO FOAM STATE HAS HALTED MID-PROCESS !!
HOW?! IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN DESTROYED FOR SURE!!


WE'D NEED ANOTHER TEN HOURS JUST TO FIRE AT THE ABSOLUTE MINIMUM POWER!
IS THE GRAVITON RADIAL EMITTER LOADED ?
IT'S GOING TO COVER ITSELF ENTIRELY IN HYPER-STRUC-TURE!
THAT ...
UH OH ...


WHAT'S PRECIOUS REQUIRES A SPARE.
DID I NOT ALWAYS TELL YOU, KOBAYASHI ?


THIS VOICE !!

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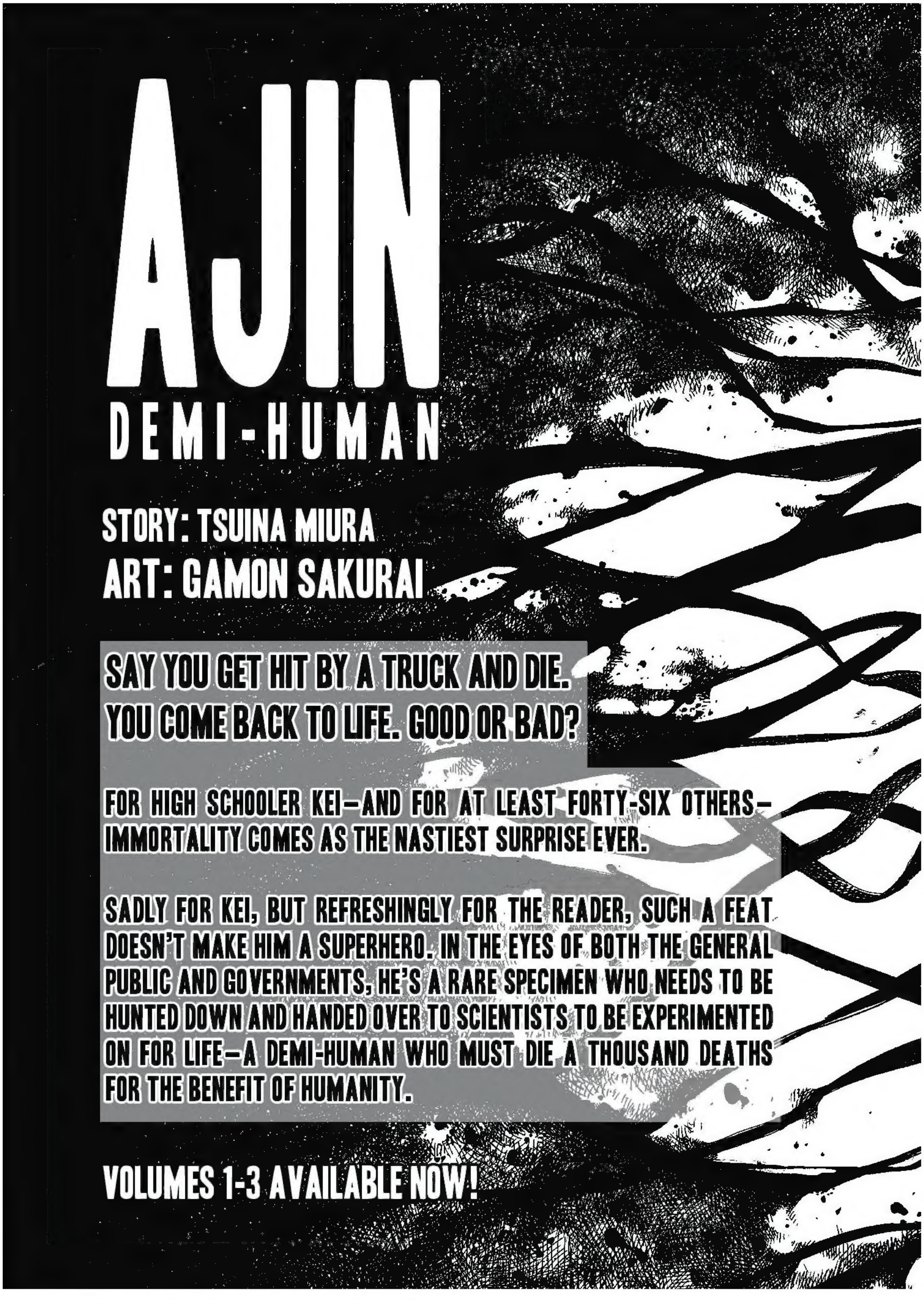
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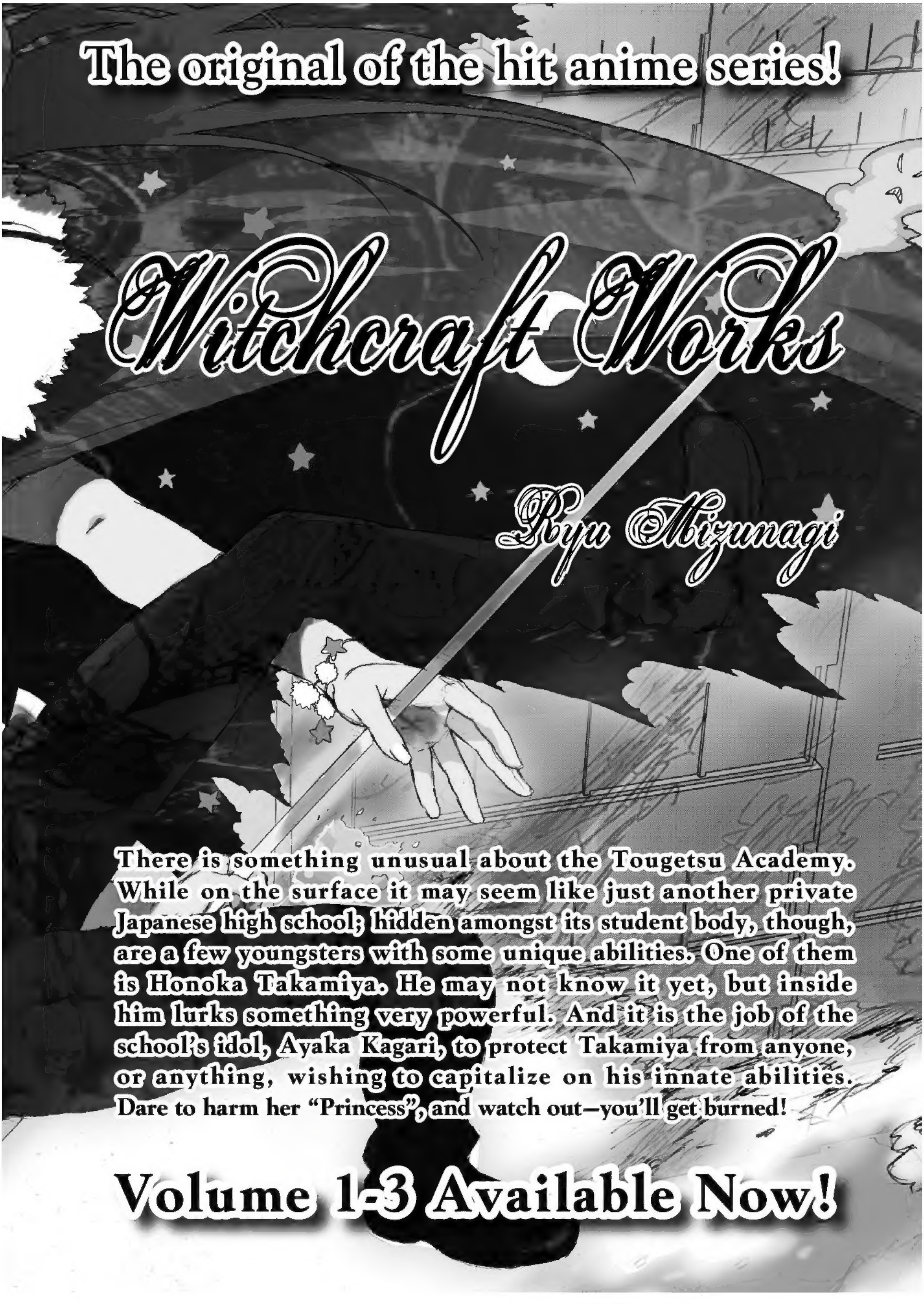
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